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7.30 " to 8.00 "	every 15 minutes	Stop	
8.00 " to 8.30 "	" 10 "	ping	
8.30 " to 8.47 "	" 17 "	Non Stop	
8.47 " to 8.54 "	" 7 "	Stopping	
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SUNDAYS

7.00 a.m.	7.10 a.m.		
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SATURDAYS

Extra Car—12 midnight.
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TIME TABLE.

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	NOON	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon	6.41	8.35	9.15	10.28	12.00	1.18	4.34	5.37	7.09
Yau Ma Tei	6.51	8.45	9.25	10.38	12.09	1.27	4.43	5.37	7.20
Shatin	7.03	8.57	9.38	10.50	12.21	1.39	4.55	5.50	7.32
Tai Po	7.17	9.11	9.52	11.03	12.34	1.53	5.08	6.03	7.45
Tai Po Market	7.22	9.16	9.57	11.08	12.38	1.56	5.12	6.07	7.49
Fauling	7.33	9.27	10.08	11.19	12.48	2.06	5.23	6.17	7.59
Sheung Shui	7.38	9.32	10.13	11.23	12.52	2.10	5.27	6.21	8.03
Shum Chun	7.44	9.38	10.19	11.29	12.58	2.16	5.33	6.27	8.09

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Shum Chun	7.22	8.06	9.28	10.37	11.40	2.53	4.36	5.12	6.05
Sheung Shui	7.29	8.13	9.34	10.44	11.47	3.05	4.44	5.19	6.12
Fauling	7.33	8.18	9.38	10.48	11.51	3.10	4.49	5.23	6.17
Tai Po Market	7.43	8.29	9.48	10.58	12.02	3.21	5.01	5.33	6.27
Tai Po	7.47	8.34	10.12	11.03	12.07	3.27	5.08	5.37	6.31
Shatin	8.00	8.47	10.25	11.16	12.21	3.40	5.23	5.50	6.44
Yau Ma Tei	8.14	8.59	10.38	11.28	12.34	3.53	5.37	6.02	6.56
Kowloon	8.23	9.09	10.45	11.36	12.42	4.01	5.46	6.10	7.04

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	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.		A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Fanling ...dep.	7.45	11.30	2.30	5.30	Shatinok...dep.	6.30	10.15	1.05	5.00
Shatinok ...arr.	8.40	12.25	3.15	7.15	Fanling ...arr.	7.55	11.10	2.00	5.55

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This 2nd XI. League match was played
on the University ground on Wednesday
and resulted in a win for the home team
by 20 runs.

Scores:—

UNIVERSITY.	
B. P. Ng, c McCurrach, b Walker	13
M. A. Kyum, c Balchin, b Walker	4
M. Osman, b Nash	17
C. W. Lam, b Walker	0
J. L. Youngsaye, c Howarth, b	4
Walker	4
S. Omar, b Osbourne, b Balchin	10
J. Noretha, c Chilton, b Walker	27
S. Huchuma, c Howarth, b Percy	5
H. Y. Leong, c McCurrach, b	0
Walker	2
A. T. M. Barma, not out	2
Extras	4

Total 129

Bowling Analysis.	
Walker	14.3 3 39 1
Percy	10 1 20 1
Nash	8 1 22 1
Osbourne	3 0 12 1
Balchin	1 0 12 1

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.	
Capt. Howarth, b Omar	5
P. McCurrach, c Kyum, b Youngsaye	4
Capt. Walker, c Leong, b Youngsaye	14
Sergeant Percy, not out	25
Pte. Nash, c Kyum, b Lam	2
Pte. Osbourne, run out	0
Pte. Balchin, c and b Lam	0
Pte. Chilton, b Lam	0
Pte. Belcher, b Youngsaye	8
Pte. Scrutton, st. Shing, b Youngsaye	0
Extras	1
Total	72

Bowling Analysis.	
Omar	10 1 24 1
Youngsaye	7.1 2 24 5
Lam	9 0 17 3

—One wide ball.
K.C.C. 1st XI. v. NAVY.
In this friendly encounter at Kowloon
on Saturday at 2.15 p.m. the home XI.
will consist of R. E. Lindell (capt.), R.
Pestonji, A. W. Ramsay, S. Jex, H. G.
Wallingford, J. C. Fletcher, F. W. Howell,
L. A. R. Duncan, R. Earnshaw, C. Earnshaw
and A. W. Summers.

K.C.C. 2nd XI. v. H.K.C.C.
In this League match on the H.K.C.C.
ground at 2.15 p.m. on Saturday Kowloon
will be represented by H. Overy
(capt.), A. O. Brylawasser, A. J. Kew,
B. Petheram, E. J. Edwards, D. S.
Green, A. J. Fraser and E. Savage.

I.R.C. 2nd XI. v. C.S.C.S. 2nd XI.
The following will represent the Indian
Recreation Club 2nd XI. in a League
match against the Civil Service C.C. 2nd
XI. on the former's ground on Saturday,
at 2.15 p.m.:—D. Rumjahn (capt.),
Sirdar Khan, E. A. Morsdorn, O. Rumjahn,
H. D. Rumjahn, M. P. Madar, Y. A.
Wahab, R. Nazaria, A. Kitchell, A.
K. Minu and S. Cassambhoy.

C.S.C.C. v. INDIAN R.C.
The following will represent the Hongkong
Civil Service Cricket Club 1st XI. in
their friendly match against the
Indian R.C. on the C.S.C.C. ground at
2.15 p.m. on Saturday, March 16th:—A.
E. Wood (capt.), R. E. O. Bird, A. R.
Sutherland, E. W. Hamilton, J. E. H.
Nihil, E. B. Reed, B. P. Evans, T. H.
Holdman, E. Baker, P. T. Lumble, and
W. H. Edmonds.

FOOTBALL.

KOWLOON F.C. v. STURREY REGT.

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon F.C. in their match
against the "Sturres" in the final of the
Hongkong Shield, to be played on the
Telford ground on Saturday, March 16th, at 4.15
p.m.:—A. Duncan, F. Wheeler and T. L.
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The heaviest records shown last year
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	Vehicles.
Hyde Park Corner	56,639
Trafalgar-square	42,012
Piccadilly Circus	41,270
Marble Arch	35,594

The figures for Hyde Park Corner show
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hours.

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31,000, while at the Angel, at Islington,
and Hammersmith Broadway the number
of vehicles stands at over 20,000.

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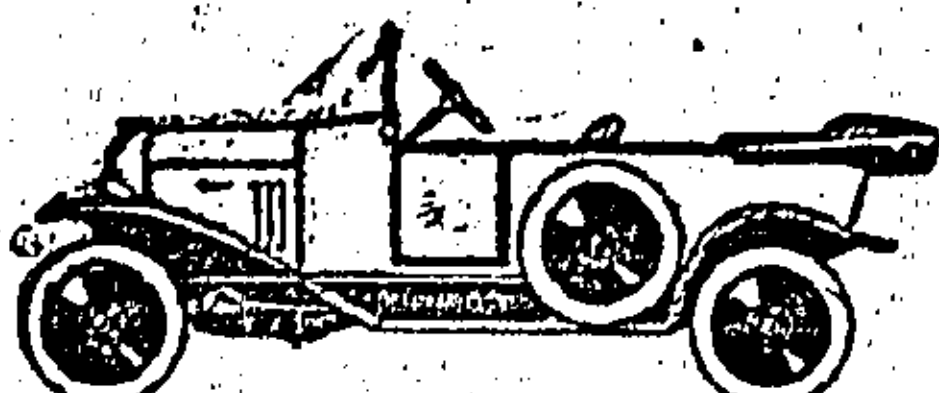
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THE EXCHANGE CASE.

BANK OF EAST ASIA v. J. H. N. MODY.

The case in which Mr. J. H. N. Mody, exchange broker, is sued in the Supreme Court by the Bank of East Asia, for the recovery of \$77,431.88, an amount of money for which he stood as guarantor in an exchange transaction a few weeks before the Banque Industrielle de Chine failed, was continued yesterday morning before the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees-Davies).

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. F. C. Jenkins, instructed by Mr. E. Davidson (of Messrs. Hastings, Denys, and Bowley), are Counsel for the plaintiff Bank, and Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., and Mr. Campbell Prosser, instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appear for the defendant.

Continuing his arguments, Mr. Prosser, said the parties (i.e. the banks) deliberately came together and made an arrangement whereby payment was not to be made until a certain definite event had happened—until advice had been received from Paris. He submitted that the very fact of making that arrangement binding in law.

The Chief Justice: So far as we know the matters (the original contract and the alleged variation) may have been contemporaneous.

Mr. Prosser: Even if that was so, it is sufficient for our case.

The Chief Justice: The distinction you are attempting to make, Mr. Prosser, is so subtle that I must confess I have some difficulty in following it.

Mr. Prosser: I will try to put my arguments simply. The original contract was to pay on 8th June. We have evidence of that. We therefore say that the money should have been paid then, or the matter treated as a default. That was the original contract. What exactly happened afterwards we do not really know. But we do know that whereas the Joint Bank demanded payment the Banque Industrielle says they were awaiting instructions from Paris before paying. The liabilities in the original contract were fixed. But we have more than what Mr. Potter calls "passive inactivity": we have the parties coming together and making an arrangement whereby "to-morrow" (i.e. payment on demand) is gone. In other words, the terms of the original contract are gone, and not only gone, but varied, whether the arrangement regarding confirmation was a binding one or not.

The Chief Justice here put a supposition case in which the one bank agrees to wait for payment upon the other bank agreeing to pay interest on the amount outstanding.

Mr. Prosser: That would be a binding agreement.

The Chief Justice: And would, according to your arguments, release the surety?

Mr. Prosser: Yes, my Lord. The essence of a contract of this kind is time. The very name of it—"telegraphic transfer"—implies so. If it was not required for the money to be paid on demand ("to-morrow")—there were other ways in which the transaction would be negotiated. The essence, I say, was time. In other words, speed.

Mr. Prosser: In this case meant the 8th June, and the making of an arrangement whereby one party has to wait for confirmation to come from Paris is a distinct and complete variation of the original contract.

Mr. Mody, Counsel continued, would never have entered into this contract as guarantor if he had any indication that the money was not going to be paid the next day, or if he had known that anything like a variation of the contract was contemplated or to take place. Plaintiffs (continued Mr. Prosser), had been guilty of gross negligence in not giving his client notice.

As Mr. Prosser was dealing with his third point of defence (the question of whether notice to the guarantor was required) Mr. Potter entered a formal protest. He alleged that Mr. Prosser was raising a point—in particular regard to mercantile custom—which has not been previously raised.

Mr. Prosser contended that he was in order, and referred his Lordship to Mr. Alabaster's opening for the defence. His Lordship instructed Mr. Prosser to proceed with his reply.

A little later the plaintiff's Counsel raised another objection. If, said Mr. Potter, the case was that it was an implied term that they should have given the defendant notice, it should have been pleaded, and the prosecution would then have pleaded that it was not an implied term, and would have brought evidence to support their contention.

After another "formal protest" on the part of the plaintiffs' Counsel, Mr. Prosser himself lodged a formal protest against "the continual objections being raised by the other side."

Mr. Potter thereupon appealed to his Lordship to say that there was nothing frivolous in his (Mr. Potter's) objections. After hearing further arguments for the defence, the Chief Justice adjourned the case until to-day.

MACAO NOTES.

SENATOR FOR MACAO.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

The Senator for Macao, Mr. Francisco Xavier Anadoto da Silva, is leaving for Lisbon, Portugal, shortly, in order to attend the next session of the Senate. It will be remembered that not long ago a new Ministry came into power in Lisbon and this necessitated a new representative being elected for Macao.

Mr. F. X. A. da Silva represented Macao in the recent Senate and he has been returned opposed on this occasion.

The Leal Senado of the Camara of Macao, in recognition of services rendered by Mr. Silva when he sat for Macao, is giving a banquet at the Macao Club, on Saturday, 16th inst., in Mr. Silva's honour. Covers will be laid for upwards of one hundred and sixty guests, including His Excellency the Governor with his wife and daughter, Judge A. Correa Mendes, Judge Dr. Pato, the Attorney-General, Mr. Saica Netto, Commander Magalhães Correa, Harbour Master, the Commandants of all the Military and Naval units, representatives of the Clergy, all the influential Portuguese, and other Europeans and Chinese residents of Macao. A number of guests from Hongkong will also attend, including the Portuguese Consul and Vice-Consul. The banquet is being given as a token of appreciation and as a mark of esteem to wish Mr. Silva *bon voyage*, good health and to convey to Macao's representative the acknowledgment of his constituents' faith in his ability and conscientiousness to further the interests and welfare of the people of Macao. The Macao-born residents of the Colony know that Mr. Silva realizes that their interests are safe in his keeping.

On Monday, 17th inst., His Excellency the Governor will entertain the Senator to dinner at Government House, to wish Mr. Silva the best of good fortune. It is hoped that the Senator may stay long enough in Lisbon to complete at least the principal portions of his programme.

It is understood that amongst the measures Mr. Silva will agitate for are:—Extensive furlough to Portugal for locally appointed Government employees at the cost of the country.

Mr. Silva is the first Senator of Macao to sit in the Senate of Portugal. On March 20th, the Portuguese community in Hongkong will entertain Mr. Silva at the Hongkong Hotel and present him with a souvenir. On the 22nd inst., Mr. Silva, with his wife and three children, will leave Hongkong for Portugal per s.s. *Nadeira*.

Mr. Francisco Xavier Anadoto da Silva was born in Macao on August 10th, 1885, and was educated in Macao at the Lyceum. At the age of twenty-one he passed his examination in Chinese and was appointed interpreter, which position he held for seven years. He then passed his final examination as a lawyer and has been in practice ever since. Mr. Silva acted as Attorney-General on two occasions, functioned as Commissioner of Police once, and was president of the Municipal Council for ten years. In 1911 he was appointed a member of both the Legislative and Executive Councils and remained in these positions till he was elected Senator for Macao.

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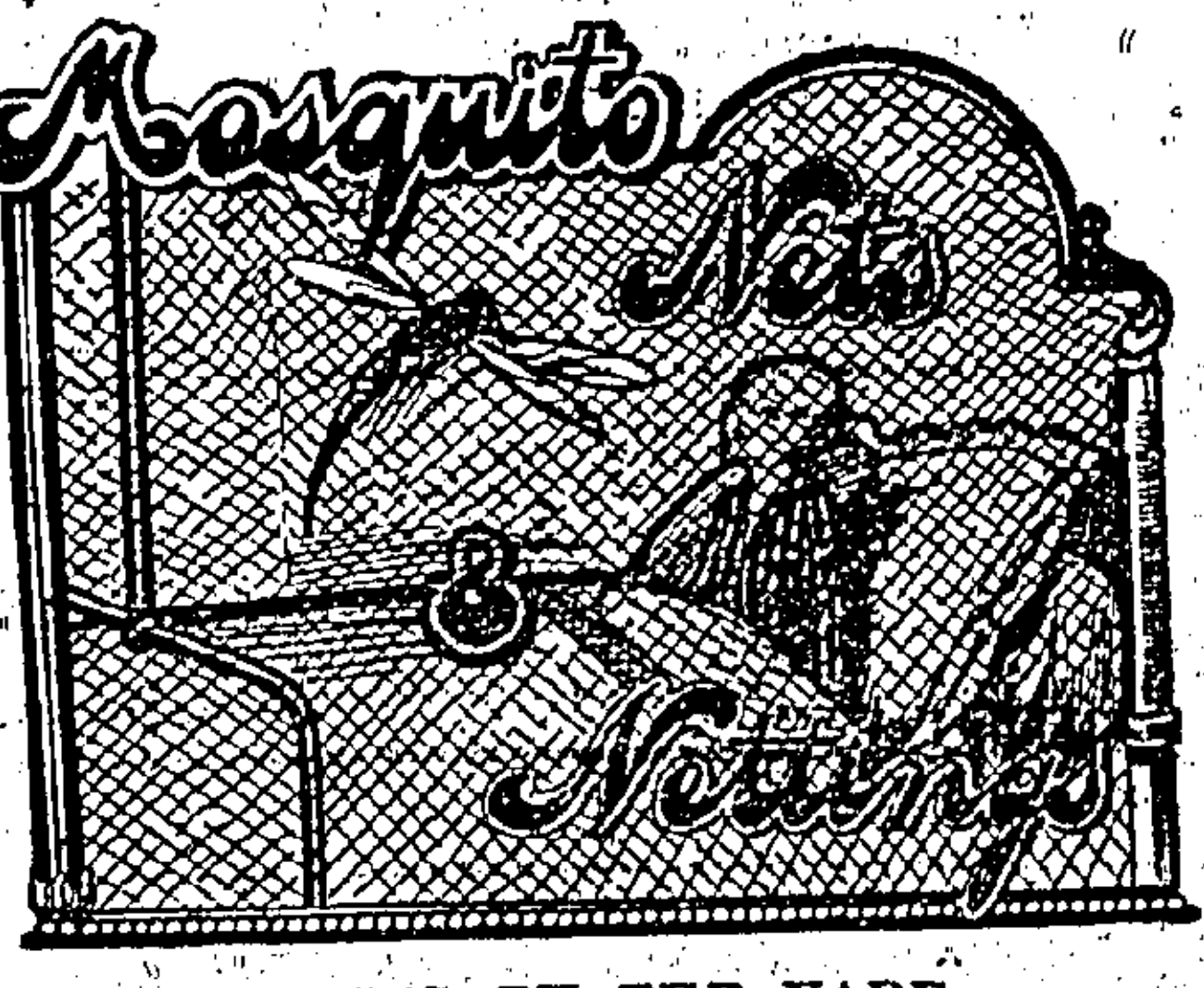
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A meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber yesterday. There were present:—
His Excellency THE GOVERNOR (Sir REGINALD EDWARD STUBBS, K.C.M.G.),
His Excellency THE GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING THE TROOPS (Major-General Sir JOHN FOWLER, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.),
Hon. Sir CLAUD SEYMOUR, K.B.E., C.M.G. (Colonial Secretary),
Hon. Mr. J. H. KEMP, K.C., C.B.E. (Attorney-General),
Hon. Mr. McL. MESSER, O.B.E. (Colonial Treasurer),
Hon. Mr. H. T. CRESSY (Director of Public Works),
Hon. Mr. A. E. WOOD (Secretary for Chinese Affairs),
Hon. Mr. E. D. C. WOLFE (Captain Superintendent of Police),
Hon. Mr. H. E. POLLOCK, K.C.,
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Hon. Mr. A. O. LANG,
Hon. Mr. A. R. LOWE,
Hon. Mr. R. H. KOTTEWALL,
Hon. Mr. CHAU SIU KI,
Mr. A. G. M. FLETCHER, C.M.G., C.B.E. (Clerk of Council).

Minutes.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved by the Council and signed by the President.

THE MOSQUITO PERIL.

On H.E. THE GOVERNOR inquiring whether there were any notices of motions or questions.

The Hon. Mr. POLLOCK said:—
Sir, I beg to give notice that I shall put the following question at the next Meeting of the Legislative Council, namely:—

"With a view to check the breeding of mosquitoes, will the Government pass a regulation making it compulsory to cut off all bamboo scaffolding immediately above the joint, so as to prevent a receptacle for standing water from being created?"

FINANCE.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of H.E. THE GOVERNOR, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee (No. 8) and moved that it be adopted.

The COLONIAL TREASURER seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

PAPERS.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of H.E. THE GOVERNOR, laid on the table the following papers:—
Regulation under section 25 (4) of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899.
Regulations under section 17 of the Piracy Prevention Ordinance, 1914.

SUPREME COURT RULES.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of H.E. THE GOVERNOR, also laid on the table Rules made by the Chief Justice under section 5 of the Judgments (Facilities for Enforcement) Ordinance, 1921, and moved that they be adopted by the Council. These rules, he said, were all very technical, and he would ask the hon. Attorney-General to second the motion and give any explanation that he might think necessary.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL, in seconding the motion said: These rules were made under the Ordinance which provides for the enforcement in Hongkong of judgments made by the Courts in England. The rules are based on the English rules made by the senior Master of the Royal Courts of Justice in England.

The Rules were approved by the Council.

THE MILITARY LANDS AWARD.

The next business on the agenda was the further consideration of the following resolution which was moved and seconded at a meeting of the Council on February.

"Resolved that this Council approves the acceptance of the award of Sir John Hubert Oakley dated the second day of November, 1923, in respect of certain lands situated in the Colony of Hongkong now vested in the Army Council, as set out in Sessional Paper No. 1 of 1924, and recommends that steps be taken to give effect to it as soon as possible."

H.E. THE GOVERNOR: The resolution with regard to the military lands having been moved and seconded at a previous meeting of the Council, it is open for any hon. member who desires to do so, to make any comments on it.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. POLLOCK, K.C.: Sir, I have been asked by my Unofficial colleagues to address this Council upon the resolution moved by the Government for the acceptance of Sir John Oakley's award, and what I am about to say represents the considered views of all of us.

In his address to this Council on the 7th ultimo, Mr. Fletcher showed that this Colony was, on Sir John Oakley's figures, making by no means a good bargain, having regard to the probable loss of very many years' interest in the laying-out and disposal of all the military lands, proposed to be taken over, and owing to the boom price of land during Sir John Oakley's visit here.

Accordingly, hearing these facts in mind, whilst we are not prepared to dissent from the proposed resolution, we desire to lay the following matters before the Government in order to see whether it may not be possible to obtain some alleviation from the heavy figures set down in Sir John Oakley's award figures, which were arrived at on the very crest of a tremendous land boom, a boom far exceeding in intensity anything of the kind previously experienced in this colony.

The first point which we desire to make, in support of our above plea of alleviation, is that a large proportion of these lands, which we are now seeking to take over, were conveyed to the Military in the early days of this Colony, as a free gift and solely for military purposes.

Under such circumstances, it appears that, upon the legal authorities relating to compensation, the Colony is under no obligation whatever to do anything more than to repossess the military—that is to say—to provide the same number of officers and men with equally good accommodation on new sites.

In "Cripps on Compensation," 5th Edition (1905) at p. 118, the legal principle applicable to such a case is stated as follows:—

"Such a sum is assessed as will enable the owner to replace the premises or lands taken by premises or lands which would be to him of the same value."

And in the case of *London School Board v. South Eastern Railway Company*, 3 T.L.R. 710 (where land, required by a School Board, for the purposes of building a school, had been taken compulsorily), Lord M.R. said:—

"The school ought not either to gain or lose by acquiring a new site."

Applying the latter words to the present case, it may be pointed out that, inasmuch as the cost of repossessing the displaced military officers and men cannot conceivably exceed 10 million dollars at the very outside, the Military would, on the Oakley valuation, "gain" a very great deal "in acquiring a new site." It may also be pointed out, incidentally, that the Military authorities will also gain considerably in having new buildings in the place of old ones.

Reference may also be made on the above point to the modern Privy Council case of *Corrie v. McDermott*, 1914, A.C. 1056, the headnote of which case reads as follows:—

"The Government of Queensland granted certain land to the trustees of the Acclimatisation Society, and with a provision that the Government might resume possession, paying the value of the land. The trustees had power by statute to sell the land, but only to the local authority or to a committee of agricultural Association. The proceeds to be invested and the income applied for the purpose of the Society. It was held that, upon resumption of land by the Government, the trustees were not entitled to be paid the unrestricted freehold value of the land, but, in accordance with the ordinary rules as to compensation, the value of the land to the trustees under the conditions upon which they held it."

The second point which we wish to make is that, on the actual wording and natural interpretation of the Circular Despatches relating to Military lands, both parties to the 1922 valuation, i.e., the local Colonial and Military authorities, were legally bound by it.

For the purpose of making this latter point clear it will suffice to refer to the following extract from the Military Land Circular Despatch, which was quoted by Mr. Fletcher in his speech to this Council on the 7th ultimo:—

"Valuation of lands or buildings, when required under the circumstances above mentioned, should be made by the Colonial and Military Authorities conjointly, or, in the event of their disagreeing, by an independent and competent surveyor, to be chosen by agreement between the Home and Colonial Governments, whose report should be final."

Accordingly, it follows that the valuation of the military lands, as arrived at between the Colonial Government and the local Military authorities in 1922, being a valuation made by them "conjointly," was a binding valuation, and any further reference to an "independent and competent surveyor" was clearly outside of the language of the Circular Despatch, which contemplated a reference to "an independent and competent surveyor" solely in the event of a disagreement between the Colonial and Military authorities.

Moreover, we understand that, under similar circumstances in the past, the War Office has, as we contend rightly upon the true construction of the Circular Despatch, left matters of valuation to be settled between the local Colonial and Military Authorities, and we understand that the only reason which the War Office has put forward, in the present instance, for not adhering to the same interpretation of the Circular Despatch is that the present transaction was too important to be governed by a valuation arrived at locally.

With deference, such a reason seems to us to be an inadequate one for departing from figures which were carefully arrived at, after full investigation and inquiry and with special knowledge of local conditions, between the Colonial Government and the local Military authorities; and we, therefore, regard the subsequent action of the War Office in forcing this Colony (in defiance of the above-quoted words of the Circular Despatch, and notwithstanding the absence of any disagreement between the local Colonial and Military Authorities as to the valuation of the lands) to lay its case before an "independent and competent surveyor," as umpire, as being both arbitrary and irregular.

Such arbitrary action by the War Office threatens to involve this Colony in the payment of over 51 million dollars extra (i.e., \$17,000,000 against about \$11,000,000) out of our funds, and will make a serious extra burden on our financial resources, depriving us of almost all the Reserves which we have been accumulating for some years past.

The Unofficial Members of this Council cannot view such a state of affairs with equanimity, especially having regard to the heavy commitments which lie before us in the near future of some millions of pounds on the Fitzmaurice Harbour Scheme and seventeen to eighteen million dollars on the Shingunui Waterworks scheme, besides other large expenditure for reclamation and building and general development, to meet the urgent needs of a rapidly increasing population.

Fortunately, a very simple, reasonable, and effective remedy lies to hand, namely, the reference of the above two points to some high legal authority on Compensation Law, and, in this connection, we would venture to suggest that Lord Parmoor would be a most suitable arbitrator, if he would kindly consent to it.

Two more points remain to be dealt with.

(1) It is most serious from the Colony's point of view that the Military is to reserve considerable areas which have the effect of cutting off one part of the Military lands which it is suggested that we should resume from the other part, thereby rendering those lands much more difficult to develop on the best and most paying lines, e.g., by driving roads parallel to the Queen's Road. The reserved areas in question are the Detention Barracks (the Western part of which is badly required for the much-needed widening of Garden Road) and the Headquarters House and grounds, and the married quarters, etc., to the south of such grounds. These reserved areas were valued by Sir John Oakley at a little over \$3,000,000.

As regards the Detention Barracks, we understand that whilst they are temporarily being retained as a possible site for Headquarters Offices, the Military Authorities have expressed their willingness that such Offices should be built on some other part, near Headquarters House, of the Military Lands which are not included in Sir John Oakley's award.

(2) Next there is a point which we should like to have cleared up, in connection with recital (i) in Sir John Oakley's award which states that "if during the period of ten years from the date of the award, and before completion of the transfer, unforeseen circumstances shall in the opinion of the Army Council render it desirable or expedient to withdraw any one or more complete block or lot or blocks or lots, then and in such event only the Army Council shall be free and at liberty to withdraw such one or more complete block or lot or blocks or lots." We should like some assurance that the above recital is only intended to cover unforeseen circumstances rendering it necessary, as a matter of military urgency for the defence of this Colony, that that clause should be brought into force.

In conclusion, whilst we are driven by sheer force of circumstances (i.e., by this Colony's urgent need, owing to the great increase of population and the consequent necessity for more room for residential and commercial expansion, for the removal of the Military Forces from the most central positions in the heart of the City of Victoria and the Kowloon Peninsula) to assent to the acceptance of Sir John Oakley's award, we do so under protest, because we feel that the first two points, suggested by us, ought to be referred to arbitration.

We would add that there appears to be no reason why such a reference should, in any way, either delay the carrying out of any of the agreed transfers of military lands or the selection of some site other than the Detention Barracks for the erection of Headquarters Offices.

Hon. Mr. P. H. HOLYOAK: Sir, I rise to endorse the views expressed by my colleague, the hon. Senior Official Member. They represent, as he stated, the carefully considered views of the Unofficial Members who have repeatedly met to consider Sir John Oakley's Award. In endorsing them I am glad to say that it is our unanimous opinion, as it is also, we believe, the unanimous opinion of the Colony, that the valuation figures of the Award are unwarrantably high, very much higher than the Colony should be called upon to pay. At the same time, and with due regard to what my hon. colleague has just stated, we do not wish this Award to be unduly delayed. I should add that, as the representative of the General Chamber of Commerce, this matter has been considered by them on two occasions, and they are also of the view that the opportunity should be taken to settle this matter once and for all, as soon as possible.

The Hon. Mr. KOTTEWALL: The Hon. Mr. Chow Shun Son, before he left for England, and myself consulted the General Committee of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce on this subject. The Chamber is one of the most representative Chinese bodies in the Colony, and the Committee agreed with us that in view of the imperative and urgent needs of the Colony, the Award should be expedited, but they urged that strong representations should be made with regard to several points dealt with by the Hon. Senior Unofficial Member, with a view to obtaining some alleviation, not so much as a legal right, but on the grounds of that ordinary fairness and equity which the Chinese community expect from the Home Government. The remarks of the Hon. Mr. Pollock that some representation should be made to the Home Government have the endorsement therefore of the two Chambers of Commerce as well as the Unofficial Members of this Council.

The Hon. Mr. A. R. LOWE: Sir, I rise to support the Resolution. In the city of Manchester—in which I was born—there is a saying that "if this wants out for now, do it for the set." We cannot get these lands back for nothing, for the War Office is legally in possession, but, in spite of the heavy price we are asked to pay, I think the Colony, in time to come, will get its money back with good interest. It is no great hardship now for us to part with money—which the Official majority has insisted on hoarding up—perhaps luckily for our children, but unfortunately for us. Anyway, we have the money ready in London, and I am glad to think it can be spent in Hongkong to advantage—for, as the Yorkshire people say, "Money is just like huck, no good till spread." In my opinion we need the Army and Navy here for the safety and convenience of Britishers and Chinese alike, and they must be made comfortable—even if the repossessing is on a better and larger scale than their old quarters call for. I am in agreement with the remarks of the Senior Unofficial Member in his endeavour to obtain a reduction in the price, but as we agreed to allow Sir John Oakley to value the lands, I agree, for celerity's sake, to the terms, and if there is any truth in "what's lost by honesty is won back by stratagem," I hope the Honourable Member will live to win.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR: I should like to express my concurrence in practically everything said by the Hon. Mr. Pollock, but I am afraid I must look at it from a rather different angle. I do not pretend to believe other than that I think the War Office are driving a hard bargain with us, and of course I will transmit to the Secretary of State, for his consideration, the views which have been put forward by hon. members in regard to their demands for a reduction in the price. At the same time, I am bound to say that I do not think much is to be gained by that course. The fact of the matter is that the War Office are and have been, for many years, in possession of acquired possibly in somewhat devious ways in some respects—of land which we must have. We cannot take it by force, and the question arises: How much is it worth our while to relieve ourselves of the incubus which is blocking the prosperity of the Colony? The price which Sir John Oakley puts for the removal of the incubus is, in my opinion, an exceptionally high one. But I think you must remember that Sir John Oakley was an entirely independent person, who stands admittedly at the head of his profession, and I think it would be very wise to state with very much vehemence that his figures are wrong. I allow that he is more likely to be right than I am. But if we assume that his figures are too high, we must consider whether it is worth our while to pay blackmail in order to get the military out of the central sites of the Colony. I submit that it is.

I think there has been some slight misunderstanding with regard to the actual money involved, because hon. members have spoken as though we were going to hand over at once these large sums to the Military. What we have undertaken to do is to repossess the Military and to find them suitable accommodation in exchange for the quarters they are taking away from them, and I think hon. members will agree that with standards of comfort having improved since those quarters were built it is perfectly reasonable to expect that we will provide accommodation in some respects at least better than the old ones. I do not think hon. members will begrudge any expenditure in that respect.

The Hon. Mr. Pollock said that it was inconceivable that the provisioning should exceed \$10,000,000. I have not sufficient data before me to discuss the question, but assuming that the cost of provisioning does not exceed \$10,000,000, and that the cost of the military lands according to Sir John Oakley's estimate amounts to nearly double that sum, we are not going to pay over that sum. It remains in an account which the War Office may draw upon to meet their future needs. But in order that those future needs may be met it is necessary that these needs should come into existence, and it seems to me improbable if the Garrison is now adequately provisioned that it will be necessary in the near future to provide the additional sum, and I think the difference will remain merely as a book entry to our debit for many years to come. The question of that debt may be regarded with equanimity. If it should become necessary to increase the Garrison in the future the sum standing to our debit will pay for it. I think that it is obvious that when the necessity for increasing the Garrison arises we shall have to pay for it. The War Office will say to us: "This is a Garrison which is necessary for your safety; we cannot pay for its accommodation. Are you prepared to do it?" I have no doubt the answer of the Council will be that we will pay. By assuming this liability we are not assuming a liability greater than in any case we would have to undertake. A further point is that it is not as if we were paying out a large sum to the War Office. Very large sums are going to be expended, but they are going to be expended in this Colony. As the Hon. Mr. Lowe said, it is all to the good of the Colony.

I think there are redeeming features in the situation. I think we are paying a very large price but I think it is wise to pay it. The expenditure will not all be incurred at once. It is true we shall not pay out our money in part of the time for a considerable time. By the time the full amount of expenditure has been made we shall, no doubt, have been able to dispose of a considerable amount of the military lands and shall, therefore, have got back a good deal of money before we shall have to spend the whole of it. I do not think there should be any great difficulty in financing this large scheme. Probably the existing balance will enable us to provide what money is necessary before money begins to come in from the sale of the land and, if not, my suggestion is that we should raise money or short term bills maturing somewhere about the time we expect to sell the rest of the land.

The Hon. Senior Official Member raised other questions, to which the General will be asked to deal with later than I am. I will only say that after spending considerable time dealing with the matter and having written many despatches—which I should like to produce to this Council but am unable to do so—placing the Colony's point of view very forcibly before His Majesty's Government, and having fully considered these things, I am strongly of opinion that the bargain is one which the Colony should accept, and I think that in the future it will be very pleasant to reflect that it has taken this opportunity of removing this obstacle to progress.

H.E. Major-General Sir John Fowler: There are one or two points which have been raised on which I should like to say a few words. First of all, it has been said that the Colony has made a bad bargain, and that these are "boom" prices. It entirely depends on the point of view. By the time that the Colony is going to dispose of this land, prices will possibly have risen, and they will therefore be getting the land at a lesser valuation than it will then be worth. His Excellency the Governor has dealt with the provisioning and the financial question the Hon. Member referred to. A question has been raised, which I have already spoken of, that there was an understood agreement between the War Office and the Colony as to the valuation of the lands which was made in the year 1920. There were certain recommendations made to the War Office in regard to that, but it never amounted to a practical agreement. As to another question that has been raised, it has never been contemplated, so far as I know, that the "Circular Despatches" meant the military authorities here on the spot. I think from the context that it is fairly clear that it is the War Office that is meant. We recommended certain prices for the land for the War Office to accept them, but I do not think that the General Officer Commanding has ever been in a position to definitely close any bargain without the approval of the War Office. With regard to the question of the areas reserved by the War Office and the difficulty of access to the rear of the Military lands, of course, we here will endeavour, as far as possible, in the layout of these lands, to meet the wishes of the Colony as to roads, and access, and so on. We always wish to carry on with the utmost goodwill with the authorities of the Colony and I hope that will always be so in the future. We cannot get on here without the goodwill of the Colony. In regard to the clause in Sir John Oakley's award that says that lots may be withdrawn, if the War Office so desires, I think the War Office are simply safeguarding themselves. I have always been a condition in all these negotiations that the War Office would not complete the bargain until the actual time came, because it is so hard to look into the future. I am sure they will endeavour, as far as possible, to carry out their part of the bargain. With regard to new provision, I think His Excellency has fully dealt with it. As to the reserved area I referred to just now—the Detention Barracks, Headquarters House and grounds, and the married quarters—I believe the idea is that the road shall be carried in at the northern end of the Detention Barracks and that the widening of Garden Road should be extended—I can only say that in the layout of these parts we will endeavour to meet these wishes, Sir. (Applause.)

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GARAGE SUED. SEQUEL TO A MOTOR COLLISION.

POLICE SERGEANT CLAIMS DAMAGES.

The suit of Police Sergeant F. T. James against the Moon Garage for \$677 on-
gaged Mr. Justice Gompertz in the Summary Court yesterday. The claim was made jointly by Sergeant James and his wife, \$157 being for damage done to the motor cycle and sidecar, \$20 being for doctor's fees, and \$500 being for compensation for shock and general damages sustained by Mrs. James.

Mr. Corbett, for the plaintiff, described the accident, stating that as a result of it Mrs. James, who was riding in the side-car, was injured and suffered a very great shock. Mr. James was driving his motor-cycle very slowly, on the road from Stanley to Repulse Bay when the Moon Garage car approached him round a bend, without warning at a speed of 25 miles an hour. Mr. Corbett said his client, realising the dangerous situation, found the only thing he could do was to drive on to a fall of earth. The car, however, struck the side-car.

The plaintiff said that at the scene of the accident there was a fall of earth, an enormous quantity having fallen owing to the heavy rains and typhoon. It had been sufficiently cleared, however, to allow him to pass. He was going no faster than four or five miles an hour. The car approached him at an extraordinary speed without giving a warning. Some part of it struck the nose of the side-car and the car went on for another twelve or fifteen yards before it stopped.

Plaintiff, cross-examined, said that in a distance of four yards, one could accelerate a Triumph from 4 to 12 m.p.h. Mr. Vaux suggested that it was absolutely impossible for the garage car to have been pulled up at the point.

Plaintiff asked defending solicitor in reply to a question, to imagine sitting on a motor-cycle and seeing a car coming at 35 miles an hour towards him and then try to notice what part of the car struck the cycle. He could not say what part struck the side-car, but thought it was the rear hub.

Dr. Koch said that Mrs. James sustained slight wounds on the head and bruises on the body. She was also suffering from shock and concussion. He did not think Mrs. James would always suffer as a result of her injuries.

Mrs. James gave corroborative evidence, and added that she still suffered from a pain in the head.

Mr. Vaux, for the defence, contended that he had no case to answer. It was necessary for the prosecution, he said, not only to prove that the Moon Garage were owners of the car, but that the chauffeur was actually in their employ at the time of the accident. Prosecution had not proved these things and Mr. Vaux submitted he had no case to answer.

His Lordship said he was inclined to agree with Mr. Vaux. Prosecution had to put in some *prima facie* evidence.

Sergeant James was recalled to give evidence on this point.

At the conclusion of the case for the plaintiff, his Lordship remarked to Mr. Corbett that he thought the damages claimed were very high. He asked the parties if they had tried to come to a settlement and requested the solicitors to accompany him into Chambers in an endeavour to effect a settlement. Shortly afterwards the parties returned to Court, no settlement having been reached.

Mr. Vaux, for the defence, said that at the worst the case against his client could only be said to be that of contributory negligence. He thought there had been contributory negligence on the part of the plaintiff.

His Lordship said that he would deliver judgment this morning.

JUNK EXPLOSION AT TAI KOK TSUI

THREE CHINESE MISSING.

An explosion on a junk laden with salt-petre at Tai Kok Tsui yesterday afternoon considerably shook the praya end of Hongkong. From the Star Ferry Station huge clouds of smoke were visible for over half an hour. The exact location of the accident was 500 yards beyond the Cosmopolitan Dock. Three Chinese were in the junk at the time. They and their boat have completely disappeared. At first it was thought that one or more of the A.P.C. oil tanks had exploded, as they are situated a few hundred yards from where the affair happened.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR: If I may be permitted to say one word more, I cannot allow what the hon. and gallant member has said to pass without remark or it may possibly lead to some misunderstanding. I contend that there can be no question that the words of the Circular Dispatch mean the local Military Authorities and the Colonial Authorities, and I do not think that the action of the War Office has been in accordance with the Circular Despatches. I put this in as a caveat in case any question should arise again in future.

The motion was then agreed to.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK ORDINANCE

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL moved the second reading of the Bill to amend further the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Ordinance 1866.

The COLONIAL TREASURER seconded and the motion was agreed to.

The Council then resolved itself into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause and on the Council resuming the Bill was read a third time and passed into law.

THE ADJOURNMENT.
H.E. THE GOVERNOR: The Council will adjourn *sine die*.

THE GENERAL SYNOD. PROVISIONAL AGENDA.

During the last few days Hongkong has had the pleasure of welcoming many Bishops and delegates from all parts of China. They are on their way to attend the meetings of the General Synod of the Chinese Church which takes place from March 16th to 23rd at Canton.

The Synod, as Bishop Norris reminded us in a forceful sermon at the Cathedral, meets not merely to discuss, but to legislate. Its meetings are therefore of vital interest to all who look forward to the progress of Christianity in the Far East.

The General Synod consists of two Houses—the House of Bishops, which includes in its membership all Diocesan and Assistant Bishops of the Anglican Communion in China, whether foreign or Chinese (there is at present only one Chinese Bishop), and of a House of Delegates both clerical and lay. Each diocese has the right to send four clergy and four laity to the House of Delegates; these may be either foreigners or Chinese, as the diocese may decide, and it makes no difference whether the Diocese is large or small. As a matter of fact the Chinese delegates are already in a majority, and the proportion of Chinese to foreign increases at every Synod.

The Provisional Agenda drawn up by the Standing Committee contains an imposing list of subjects for legislation.

Reports of Committee in both Houses include those on Trust Funds; Canons; Christian Unity; Prayer Book; Religious Education; Church Literature; State of the Church; and Central Theological School.

The Synod Committee will report on the Lectinary, Marriage Questions, and the Diaconate of Women. Bishop Banister will report on the Chinese abroad.

The joint session of the Board of Missions will be held on Wednesday, the 19th.

Several motions will be submitted:—

(1) By North China Diocesan Synod:—

"That with a view to initiating a uniform scheme for providing pensions for Chinese workers in all the Dioceses of the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui, the General Synod be requested to appoint a Committee to consider this question and if possible to draw up regulations for a scheme that shall be acceptable to and workable in every Diocese."

(2) By Fukien Diocesan Synod:—

"That the General Synod consider the preparation of a History of the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui."

(3) By Bishop Graves:—

"That the General Synod be asked to appoint a Canon on Marriage and Divorce."

Special reports of the deliberations will be sent down from Canton and will be followed with great interest by the Churchpeople in the Colony.

MOTOR DRIVER'S UNLUCKY DAY.

FOUR CASUALTIES: ONE KILLED.

The unfortunate experiences of Kong Tong, motor-lorry driver, who on March 14th whilst driving his lorry knocked down three men and a child seven years old were outlined in the *Daily Press* at the time. The child was killed instantaneously and yesterday the driver was brought before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, on remand, charged with manslaughter.

Traffic Inspector Kent prosecuted and Mr. C. A. S. Russ defended.

Inspector Kent, outlining the case, said that the lorry was used for carrying poultry. Whilst driving along Kennedy Town Praya the lorry knocked down a couple just after he emerged from a go-down. After the accident the defendant handed over the wheel to a second driver who was on the lorry and taken to No. 7 Police Station. There the usual details of the accident were recorded and the injured man was placed back in the lorry for conveyance to the Government Civil Hospital for further treatment. The defendant started up the engine and turned the lorry so as to proceed up Pokfulam Road. In backing the lorry he knocked down two pedestrians on the footpath and crushed the deceased boy against a wall, killing him instantaneously.

Inspector Kent added that the two men were seriously injured and he feared that they would not be able to leave hospital for another two months at least.

Dr. Minett, in charge of the Victoria Mortuary, gave evidence as to the terrible nature of the boy's injuries, and amongst other things stated that the boy's injuries consisted of a fracture right across the base of his skull, both collar bones broken, the breast bone fractured and a deep gash, seven inches long, on the left leg and many abrasions.

After further evidence had been given, including that of the father, who was with the boy when he was killed, the case was adjourned until this afternoon.

During the next few days we may expect to see the Coronet Theatre crowded with young and old alike, because there will be shown at this popular cinema a picture which makes a very special appeal for the children. This is "The Darling of New York."

And principally the special appeal lies in four things—first and foremost the charming acting of little Baby Peggy, who is seen in her first really big picture; then the unusually interesting story mingling comedy, pathos, mystery and surprise; next the exciting fire scene and finally the splendid camera work by one of the screen's very greatest producers.

THE PIRATED HONGKONG FERRY.

HOW IT WAS RECOVERED.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

MACAO, March 13th.

On Saturday last the police in Macao received information that the Shamsuipo ferry *Kwong Shun*, which disappeared so mysteriously from Hongkong, was seen near Sha Mei Tao. The armed launches *Celano* and *Tai-pa* were sent to investigate, and as a result the gunboat *Patric* was despatched from Macao. This morning His Excellency the Governor received information that the launch had been verified as the missing ferry.

The boat was in very shallow water between Cone Island and the mud flats. Cone Island is said to be the headquarters of veritable hordes of pirates. The two armed launches did not carry sufficient men to enter the shallows to engage the pirates and were, therefore, placed so as to guard the two entrances to the shallows, while the *Patric* was cruising around waiting for a suitable tide to enter the channel to secure the launch. She also served as a feeder of supplies for the *Celano* and *Tai-pa*.

In the meanwhile, the gunboat *Macao* which is of sufficiently shallow draft to navigate the channels, and well armed, was sent from Canton and arrived on the scene at about eleven o'clock to-day. At a suitable tide the *Macao* entered the cove where the launch was moored and, after manoeuvring, approached it only to find that the pirates had left the launch, to take shelter on Cone Island. Nor were there any signs of the unfortunate captives of the desperadoes.

The Hongkong authorities having been informed by His Excellency the Governor, Dr. Rodrigo Rodrigues, of the course of events despatched H.M.S. *Cleida* to render assistance, but she arrived only after the launch had been recovered. Owing to the difficulty of negotiating the creeks the party will not return to Macao, most probably till to-morrow (13th instant).

Owing to lack of co-operation on the part of the Canton authorities, H.E. the Governor of Macao was not able to instruct his forces to take drastic steps against the pirates who had fled ashore. His Excellency must be pleased to be able to deliver to the Hongkong authorities, the launch *Kwong Shun* and his assistance in the matter as well as his manifest willingness to co-operate in the suppression of this menace, will doubtless be appreciated by the people of Hongkong.

No further information has been received in Hongkong concerning the circumstances surrounding the re-capturing of the pirated ferry launch *Kwong Shun*. Yesterday a representative of the *Daily Press* called at the offices of the Company and was informed that the only news they had was that which appeared in yesterday's issue of this paper. Our representative was shown several copies of letters in Chinese from passengers who are now held for ransom by the pirates. The letters ask for ransom in dollars, clothing and opium, and are written on similar lines to others which have been received by relatives in Hongkong. The police also have no further word of the launch though they expect her to be returned to Hongkong at any moment. The police were aware for some days that the missing launch had been disguised by the pirates by re-painting her hull white and her funnel black.]

SPORT.

TENNIS.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

The matches played yesterday on the Club ground did not produce anything like a high standard of tennis. S. E. Green in the Open Singles, played up to form and he had no difficulty in disposing of W. H. Gillows by three straight sets. Gillows secured only two games in the match.

Perhaps the most interesting game was that between J. A. Worswick partnered by Miss Rudge and G. W. Sewell partnered by Miss Irving in the Mixed Doubles. The outstanding player was Miss Rudge who served well and placed equally well. Credit must be awarded to her for the victory. Her partner was inclined to be erratic. Sewell and Miss Irving put up a good fight but handicap and Miss Rudge's consistent placing and serving were too much for them.

Yesterday's results:—

OPEN SINGLES.—S. E. Green beat W. H. Gillow, 6-1, 6-0, 6-1.

OPEN DOUBLES.—H. Owen Hughes and G. More beat V. M. Grayburn and A. B. Carr, 1-6, 9-7, 7-5, 6-2.

MIXED DOUBLES.—J. A. Worswick and Miss D. A. Rudge (+5/6) beat G. W. Sewell and Miss E. Irving (scr.), 6-4, 6-2.

HANDICAP SINGLES "B."—E. G. Lam-mert (+1/6) beat E. J. R. Mitchell (scr.), 4-6, 7-5, 7-5; F. H. Phillips (+15) beat W. P. Greore (+15), 6-1, 6-4.

HANDICAP DOUBLES.—W. B. Cornaby and A. Piercy (+5/6) beat A. V. T. Dean and A. H. Penn (+15), 6-4, 6-4.

TODAY'S MATCHES:

OPEN SINGLES.—J. Abe v. Wong Po Keung; H. D. Ramjahn v. S. Fujita; A. B. Raworth v. K. H. Lo.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP.—A. D. Humphreys v. C. B. Barton.

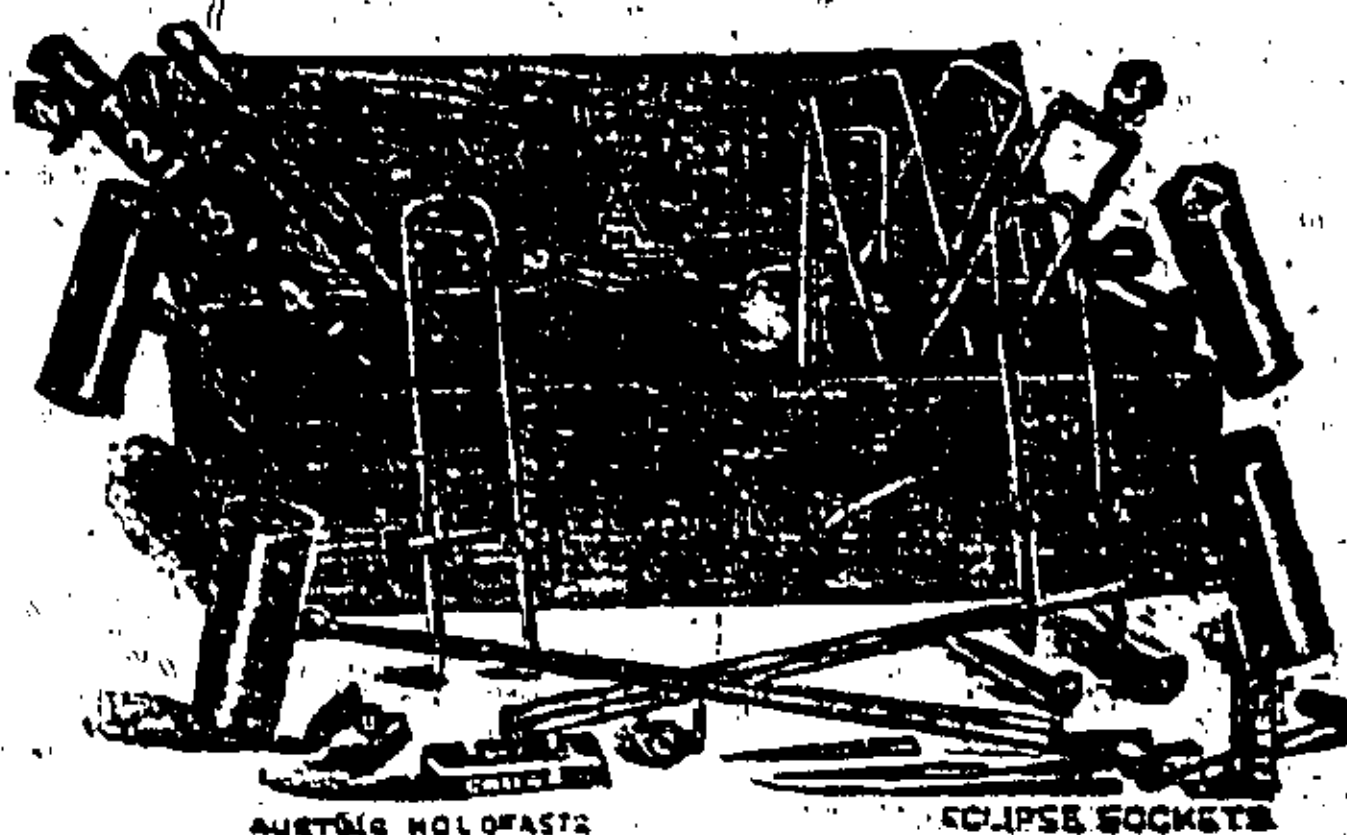
HANDICAP SINGLES "A."—N. L. Smith (+5/6) v. W. B. Cornaby (+5/6); O. F. Beasley (+15.9) v. G. W. Sewell (-3/6).

HANDICAP DOUBLES.—E. G. Lam-mert and W. W. Mackenzie (+5/6) v. B. D. Evans and C. V. Mark (+3/6).

HANDICAP SINGLES "B."—C. D. Jennings (+3/6) v. C. T. Fowle (+3/6).

MIXED DOUBLES.—G. G. Franklin and Mrs. O. O. Boyd (scr.) v. W. A. Nowers and Mrs. H. R. Remington (+4/6).

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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CONTINENT.

THE Steamship "KARROO"
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are
informed that all Goods are being landed
at their risk into the Godowns and/or
extra-hazardous Godowns of Holt's Wharf,
whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after 15th March, 1924, will be
subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be
presented to the Undersigned on or before
the 26th March, 1924, or they will not be
recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on any Tuesday or Friday, between
the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the
free storage period of one week.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
THE BANK LINE, LTD.,
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Hongkong, 13th March, 1924. [508]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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From TRIESTE, VENICE, SPALATO,
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instant.

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the 26th inst., or they will not be recognised.

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examined on the 18th inst., at 10 a.m., by our
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INTENDING Competitors are Reminded
that Entries for the ANNUAL LAWN
TENNIS TOURNAMENT will CLOSE on
MONDAY, MARCH 17TH.
S. E. GREEN,
Hon. Secretary.
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HONGKONG DOG & CAT SHOW, 1924.

By kind permission of the Officer Com-
manding the Hongkong Defence Corps,
a Show will be held on the PARADE GROUND
on SATURDAY, 15TH MARCH, at 2 P.M.
There will be classes for all kinds of Dogs
including cross Breeds and Puppies, also Litters
of Puppies.

The Prizes will be distributed by Lady
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All Dogs must be at the Show between 12
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Hon. Secretary & Treasurer,
c/o THE H. E. TELEGRAPH CO.
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QUEEN'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS'
ASSOCIATION.

THE FOURTH ANNUAL DINNER of
THE QUEEN'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS'
ASSOCIATION will take place on SATUR-
DAY, 15TH MARCH, at 8 P.M., in the Hall of
Queen's College. Members are requested to
send in their Subscription before 12TH INST.
The Minimum Charge is \$3.

Members intending to invite guests are
requested to notify Mr. C. Chou, Asia Banking
Corporation, or the Undersigned.

C. C. HUNT,
(Hon. Secretary).
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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of
the Sale by Public Auction to be
held on MONDAY, the 17th day of
March, 1924, at 3 P.M., in the Hall of
Public Works Department, by Order of His
Excellency the GOVERNOR, of one Lot of
"CROWN LAND" at Tung I in the
Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years,
commencing from the 1st July, 1893, with
the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to
be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the
King, for one further term of 24 years less
three days.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lots	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	Tung I	As per plan plan.	About 24,470	\$100.00	\$100.00

INTIMATIONS

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL OR-
DINARY GENERAL MEETING of the
Company (since its registration) will be held
at the HONGKONG HOTEL, HONGKONG, on
SATURDAY, the 15TH MARCH, 1924, at
11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report
of the General Managers, together with a
Statement of Accounts for the Year ended
31st October, 1923.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from Tuesday, the
11th day of March, to Monday, the 17th day
of March, both days inclusive, during which
period No Transfer of Shares can be
registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 5th March, 1924. [456]

THE HONGKONG DEVELOPMENT
BUILDING AND SAVINGS
SOCIETY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
STATUTORY MEETING of the
Company will be held at 3 P.M. at the CUR-
RY HALL, HONGKONG, on WEDNESDAY, the
19TH DAY OF MARCH, 1924.

By Order,
EDWARD B. RAYMOND,
Secretary,
Hongkong, 10th March, 1924. [504]

THE HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA
DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the
Office of the Company, 2, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS,
HONGKONG, on THURSDAY, the 20TH
MARCH, 1924, at Noon, for consideration of
the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts
for the year ending 31st December, 1923.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANS-
FER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 8th
to the 20th March, 1924 (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, 4th March, 1924. [449]

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
HOTELS, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS of the HONG-
KONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED,
will be held at THE HONGKONG HOTEL, PEDDER
STREET, HONGKONG, on SATURDAY, the 22ND
MARCH, 1924, at 11.30 o'clock A.M., for the
purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts
and the Report of the Board of Directors for the
Year ended 31st December, 1923, confirm-
ing the appointment of Directors, and re-
electing a Director and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from Friday, the 14th
March, 1924, until Saturday, the 22nd March,
1924, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PERCY H. SUCKLING,
Secretary,
Hongkong, 6th March, 1924. [460]

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE
CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-FIFTH ORDINARY GEN-
ERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLD-
ERS will be held at the Offices of the Under-
signed on THURSDAY, the 27TH MARCH,
1924, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the General Managers, together
with a Statement of Accounts for the Year
ended 31st December, 1923.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANS-
FER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 12th
to the 29th March, 1924, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 8th March, 1924. [476]

G. R.
2924-1925.

SEALED TENDERS will be received at
the R. N. HOSPITAL until 10 A.M. on the
21st MARCH, 1924, from Persons desirous
of supplying Beef, Mutton, Fowls, Pork,
Bread, Cheese, Pure Cow's Milk, Aerated
Water, Ice, and other provisions, and neces-
saries for the Year ending 31st March, 1925.
Printed Forms of Tender and further par-
ticulars can be obtained at the R. N.
HOSPITAL.

The right to reject the Lowest or any
Tender is reserved.
H. S. BURNISTON,
Surgeon Capt., R.N.
R. N. HOSPITAL,
Hongkong, 12th March, 1924. [460]

WANTED.

SMALL ROOM in Central District,
suitable for an Office.
Apply Box No. 429,
The Hongkong Daily Press. [429]

TO LET.

FURNISHED HOUSE, in Good Position
at PEAK. Hot and Cold Baths. From
Middle April to September.
Apply Box No. 489,
The Hongkong Daily Press. [489]

TO LET.

MODERN, Five-Roomed FURNISHED
BUNGALOW on PEAK for Six to
Seven Months, from 1st April.
Apply
S. HAMPDEN ROSS,
PERCIVAL SMITH & FLEMING.
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INTIMATIONS

NOTICE.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr.
JOHN SCOTT HARSTON in our
Firm Ceased on the 6th March, 1924.

DEACON, HARSTON & SHENTON.
Hongkong, 7th March, 1924. [470]

NOTICE.

WE have admitted Mr. REGINALD
FREDERICK MATTINGLY as
Partner in our Firm as from the 6th March,
1924.

DEACON, HARSTON & SHENTON.
Hongkong, 7th March, 1924. [471]

NOTICE.

THE Business of Solicitors and Notaries
Public heretofore carried on by us under
the style of DEACON, HARSTON & SHENTON
will, as from To-day's Date, be carried on
under the style of DEACONS.

DEACON, HARSTON & SHENTON.
Hongkong, 7th March, 1924. [472]

GARLAND STEAMSHIP
CORPORATION.

WE beg to advise that we have been ap-
pointed Agents for THE GARLAND
STEAMSHIP CORPORATION operating a Bi-
monthly service between San Francisco and
Portland, and Japan, Shanghai, Hongkong and
Manila.

Particulars of Sailings, Rates of Freight,
etc., can be obtained from the Undersigned.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.
Telephones: Central 415 and 3693.
Hongkong, 7th March, 1924. [462]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEET-
ING of the above Company will be
held at the Company's Office, 20 DE VOUX
ROAD, CENTRAL, on SATURDAY, 29TH OF
MARCH, 1924, at 11 A.M.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 15th of March to
29th of March, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 8th March, 1924. [486]

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO.

THE FORTY-SIXTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING of the SHARE-
HOLDERS of the above Company will be
held at the Office of the General Agents,
PEDDER STREET, on MONDAY, the 31ST
MARCH, 1924, at 11.00 A.M., for the purpose
of receiving the Report and Statement of
Accounts for the Year ending 31st December,
1923.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 17th to
March, 1924, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Agents.
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HONGKONG ENGINEERING AND
CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE OF CALL.

ISSUE OF 55,000 SHARES OF THE NOMINAL
VALUE OF \$10 EACH (\$7.50 PAID UP).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
Final Call of \$2.50 per Share on each of
the 55,000 Shares allotted on the 5th day of
November, 1922, has been made by the Com-
pany, and that such Call will be payable to the
Company's Bankers, THE HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, in Hong-
kong, on the 15TH DAY OF MARCH, 1924.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 8th to 15th
March, both days inclusive.

For and on behalf of the
HONGKONG ENGINEERING AND
CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.,
S. COURTNEY COOK,
Secretary.
Dated the 22nd day of February, 1924. [416]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT Programmes and Entry Forms
for the FIRST EXTRA RACE MEET-
ING to be held on the 27TH MARCH
(weather permitting) may be obtained at the
Race Course, HONGKONG CLUB and CASIN-
O, WATSON ROAD.

Entries Close on 15th March, 1924. [479]

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

REDUCTION IN PRICE.

FROM 1st APRIL, 1924, until further
Notice the PRICE of Current for
Lighting and Power will be Reduced to 16
Cents Per Unit.

Discounts will remain as before.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.
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TO-NIGHT

BABY PEGGY

IN

"THE DARLING
OF NEW YORK."

AT

THE CORONET.

INTIMATION

WATSON'S
PURE CARBOLIC
SOAPS

Highly recommended by the
Medical Profession.

Guaranteed to contain the
amount of Pure Carbolic
acid specified.

5 per cent.

For Toilet Use

Price—\$1.25 per box 3 Cakes.

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Medical Bath Soap

85 cts. per Cake.

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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

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Hongkong Office: 14, Chater Road.
London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 14TH, 1924.

THE MILITARY LAND
PURCHASE.

The Hongkong Legislative Council yester-
day formally approved the acceptance of
the award of Sir JOHN OAKLEY, the
eminent London Surveyor, who came out
to Hongkong in the autumn of last year
to appraise the value of certain military
lands in Hongkong and Kowloon, with a
view to their transfer to the Colonial
Government. The Council's approval
was given, however, only subject to a
very strong protest. The price at which
these lands are assessed is deemed to be
unwarrantably high, and it was disclosed
in the course of the discussion that the
total of \$18,983,512 is five and a half
millions more than the estimates which
had been made three years earlier by
the local Military and Colonial advisers.

Some reference to these estimates as an
"agreement" was made at a previous
meeting of the Council, when the descrip-
tion was then repudiated by H.E. the
GENERAL OFFICER who described the
estimate as a "recommendation" to the
War Office. The significance of all this
was disclosed in yesterday's discussion
at the Council when the interpretation
by the Military Authorities of the Cir-
cular Despatches relating to the valua-
tion of military lands was challenged by
the Hon. Mr. POLLOCK, K.C., who was
supported in his view by H.E. the
GOVERNOR. The action of the War Office
in forcing the Colony to lay its case
before an "independent and competent
arbitrator" as umpire, was described as
being "both arbitrary and irregular,"
and having in mind the fact that not all
the military lands are to be transferred
under the present agreement, but only
certain specified areas, the action of the
Legislative Council in pressing for an
interpretation of the Circular Despatches
by a high legal authority, such as Lord
PARMEER, the Lord President of the
Council, will, in the circumstances, cer-
tainly receive the endorsement of the

public. In deciding whether to approve
or refuse the Award of Sir JOHN OAKLEY
the Council has had to bear in mind that
in dealing with the War Office at the
present time the Colony which, owing
to force of circumstances, stands as a
very eager purchaser, is not dealing with
what might be termed a willing seller.
The Military Authorities would be per-
fectly satisfied to remain in their present
locations, and it has taken many years
of public agitation and constant pressure
on the part of the Colonial Government
to obtain their acquiescence to a transfer
of the Military Establishments to other
sites which, we hope and believe will be
to the mutual benefit of the Military and
Civilian population. H.E. the GENERAL
OFFICER COMMANDING is optimistic enough
to believe that the price which the
Colonial Government undertake, under
the Award, to pay for these properties
will prove to be a very remunerative
investment for the Colony (from the
purely financial point of view). That
is certainly not an opinion which
finds any support in the business
circles of the Colony concerned with the
buying and selling of land; but we shall
all hope that Sir JOHN FOWLER may prove
more correct in his forecast than those
who claim to be in a better position to
form a judgment in such matters. Never-
theless, even if the War Office is getting
much more for these properties than they
would ever be likely to get if they were
offered at public auction, subject to
similar restrictions as to time of trans-
fer, the community welcomes the prospect
of seeing, at long last, the opportunity,
afforded for the extension of the European
business quarter of the town eastward,
and while the War Office is reserving an
important area to the rear of Queen's
Road, extending up the slope of the hill,
we welcome the assurance given by H.E.
the GENERAL that in the lay-out of this
area, the Military Authorities will be
prepared to meet the wishes of the Colony
in regard to the making of a road on
the hill slope and in regard to the widen-
ing of Garden Road at the point where
that is now obstructed by the existence
of the Military Detention Barracks. The
retention of this barracks, as we pointed
out in our comment when the Award was
first submitted to the Legislative Council,
was a serious disappointment, and we
are glad to learn that in the interval
that has elapsed while the details of the
Award have been under the considera-
tion of the Members of the Council and
the two Chambers of Commerce, an
understanding has been reached whereby
the Detention Barracks will be removed
so that the widening of Garden Road
may be extended. The need for this is
manifest. We are unable, however, to
discover in any of the statements made
in the discussion in the Council yesterday
that the War Office is prepared to make
a present to the Colony of so much of
this particular area as may be required
for road widening or road construction,
but we shall hope that a consideration
of the sentiments of the Colony regard-
ing the price they are undertaking to
pay for the land specified in Sir JOHN
OAKLEY'S award, will lead the War Office
to the conclusion that it would be a
graceful act of goodwill if the land needed
for such a purpose were surrendered as
a gift to the Colony, for the public
improvements contemplated are in the
interests of all members of the com-
munity, whether military or civilian.

A Chinese resident of Kowloon was
removed to the Government Civil Hospi-
tal yesterday afternoon with a severe
attack—said to have been self-inflicted—in
his throat.

Among local residents who left by the
Empress of Asia, early yesterday morn-
ing, besides Lady Stubbs and Mr. T. J.
Gainsford St. Lawrence (Private Secre-
tary to H.E. the Governor), were Mrs.
G. M. Dalgety, Mr. E. R. Dovey, Mr.
and Mrs. H. E. Goldsmith, Mr. Geo.
Hogg, Mrs. Henry Humphreys, Mr. L. V.
Lang, and Mrs. D. J. Lewis.

Damage to the extent of \$200 was
caused by fire breaking out in a matchbox
in Tung Chau Street, Shamshuipo, on
Wednesday night. The matchbox was used
for the storing of cement and lime and
belonged to a building contractor named
Chan Fook. The outbreak is attributed
to the carelessness of employees in throw-
ing away matches while alight.

Another case of attempted suicide was
reported to the police on Wednesday. A
Chinese married woman aged 20 years
jumped into the harbour from the Shan-
shuipo ferry wharf, when pulled out she had
to be sent to the Government Civil Hospi-
tal. The woman, who lives in Tai Tam
Street, is said to have taken the rash
step after having quarrelled with her
husband.

K. Keith, a European, was sent to
gaol for one month by Mr. J. R. Wood,
for absconding himself from the House of
Detention without permission. Asked by
his Worship why he did not report back
to the House after being allowed out on
leave, Keith said that he had now found
somebody to support him and added that
he did not know that he was required to
report this to the prison authorities.

A Chinese named Li Woo, described as
a visitor, was fined \$100 with the alterna-
tive of two months' imprisonment by Mr.
E. W. Hamilton, at the Magistracy,
yesterday, for having unlawfully in his
possession two rounds of ammunition.
The defendant told his Worship that he
came from America and that he did not
know the laws of the Colony. "You will
have to pay for your carelessness," was
the Magistrate's comment on this excuse.

The export of silver coins in excess of
\$50 from Canton has hitherto been pro-
hibited, but owing to the inconvenience the
regulation causes it has been amended.
After March 21st it will be possible to
take silver coins out of Canton on obtain-
ing a permit from the Finance Depart-
ment for which a fee of 1½ per cent. is
charged on the value of the coins, and
the applicant has also to pay \$1 as stamp
tax for each permit.

The latest strike at Canton is by shops
selling rubber soles. They are striking
against a tax which has recently been
imposed on this commodity. A Bankers'
strike is being suggested as an effective
way of protesting against a reported in-
tention to levy a tax of 5 cents per \$1,000
on banking transactions. The bankers
have sent in a petition to the authorities,
and if their protest is unheeded, the
Canton Gazette says that the bankers
might go on strike like other people have
done. That would be extremely embar-
rassing and would bring business gener-
ally to a standstill.

THE CHIEF JUSTICESHIP OF
HONGKONG.

SIR WM. REES DAVIES' SUCCESSOR.

We understand it is probable that Sir
Henry Cowper Gollan, C.B.E., Attorney-
General of Ceylon, will be appointed
Chief Justice of Hongkong on the ap-
proaching retirement of His Honour Sir
William Rees Davies.

Sir Henry Cowper Gollan is a son of
the late Sir Alexander Gollan, K.C.M.G.,
and was born at Coquimbo, Chile, on
January 8th, 1858. In 1908 he married, a
daughter of Sir James Nelson Norris of
St. Louis, U.S.A. He was called to the
Bar in 1881, Northern Circuit; practised
in London till 1890, when he became
Secretary to Sir Francis Lugard,
G.C.M.G., accompanying him to Northern
Nigeria, later becoming first Attorney-
General, and Chief Justice in 1901. From
thence he was transferred to Bermuda
as Chief Justice and President of the
Legislative Council, 1904; and was ap-
pointed Attorney-General of Trinidad in
1911, retaining that position till 1918, when
he was created C.B.E. and appointed
Attorney-General of Ceylon.

THE BISHOP OF MACAO'S
PASTORAL VISIT.

Our Macao correspondent writes:—
His Lordship, the Right Reverend Lord
Bishop José da Costa Nunes, attended
by his Private Secretary, the Reverend
Father Jono Machado de Lima, left Macao
on Wednesday for Hongkong by the a.s.
Sui An. Assembled at the wharf was a
large concourse of friends, including all
the clergy. His Excellency the Governor
also went down to the ship. His Lord-
ship, the Bishop, who leaves Hongkong
per a.s. Sheriden Maru for Timor via
Sourabaya, is making a pastoral visit to
that part of his diocese and will probably
remain away for at least six months.

OBITUARY.

MRS. A. W. HERON.

We regret to record the death of Mrs.
Heron, wife of Mr. A. W. Heron, wharf-
inger at the Hongkong and Kowloon
Wharf and Godown Co. The deceased
lady was a daughter of Mr. John Law-
bert, who was formerly Lloyd's surveyor
in Hongkong, and she had a large circle
of friends who are grieved to learn of
her premature death. She was laid up
with malaria about six weeks ago. Pneu-
monia and other complications supervened
and she passed away on Wednesday.
Much sympathy is felt for Mr. Heron and
his two children in their sad bereave-
ment.
The funeral took place yesterday at the
Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BRITISH NAVY ESTIMATES.
DOWN TO PRE-WAR FIGURES.

LONDON, March 12th.

The Navy estimates for 1924-25 amount to £55,000,000, a reduction of £2,200,000 compared with the present year. This includes £1,500,000 for the commencement of five cruisers and two destroyers.

The estimates are approximately equivalent to the pre-war figures, £34,500,000; hence, the scale of expenditure for the Navy has been reduced, much below the 1914-15 standard, and is equal to the expenditure for 1903-4, before the expansion to meet the German menace.

The personnel will be 100,500 compared with 103,000 for the previous year.

MEDITERRANEAN FLEET TO BE STRENGTHENED.

LONDON, March 12th.

A Navy estimates memorandum states that the general strategic position now permits of a return to more normal conditions than when the retention of the majority of the most modern vessels in home waters was necessary for many years prior to the late war.

In the Mediterranean two destroyer flotillas will be replaced by more modern vessels, and the fleet in the Mediterranean will be gradually brought up to the following strength: Z (L) battleships, two light cruiser squadrons, four destroyer flotillas, two depot ships, two aircraft carriers, one repair ship, one submarine flotilla and one submarine depot ship.

The Atlantic fleet will be correspondingly reduced.

EARLIER CABLES.

STRENGTH OF THE NAVY.
PREDICTED COMPARISON WITH OTHER POWERS.

LONDON, March 12th.

In the House of Commons, replying to Lord Curzon, Mr. Ammon stated that the numbers of cruisers and submarines on the effective list of the countries named were as follows:—

Britain 43 and 61 respectively; the United States 29 and 115; Japan 23 and 44; France 10 and 48. The numbers on April 1st 1920 would respectively be—22 and 31; 10 and 122; 40 and 60.

ADMIRALTY CHANGES.

LONDON, March 12th.

Admiral Sir H. Oliver replaces Admiral De Robeck as commander of the Atlantic Fleet. Sir Michael Culme Seymour replaces Sir H. Oliver as Second Sea Lord.

FRANCS ON THE MEND
TONIC EFFECT OF LONDON AND NEW YORK CREDITS.

LONDON, March 12th.

The French franc has steadily appreciated to 102.90 and closed at 105.37. Belgian francs rallied to 120.75 and closed at 125.25.

LATER.

The improvement in the franc, which has touched 105, is attributed partly to the arrangement in London of acceptance of a credit of five millions sterling in favour of the French Government. This credit, in which a number of leading London Banks and financial houses are participating, will run for twelve months and be covered by the deposit of National Defence Bonds, and be backed by a guarantee of the Bank of France.

NEW STRIKE THREAT.

TRAMWAYMEN AND MINERS WANT MORE MONEY.

LONDON, March 12th.

A joint committee of the mining employers and miners' Federation again discussed the miners' wages demands. The owners definitely offered an increase of the minimum wage to thirty per cent. above 1914, to revise the ratio of proceeds to paid wages and profits, making the proportions 65 and 15 respectively.

A delegate conference of miners tomorrow will consider the offer.

The demand by the Transport Workers' Union for an increase of the wages of seventeen thousand London tramwaymen by eight shillings weekly is the subject of critical discussions in London today. Strike action possibly involving busmen and underground railwaymen is threatened failing a settlement.

WORLD OF SPORT.

LEAGUE "SOCCER" GAMES AND CUP TIE RESULTS.

ENGLISH CUP REPLAY.

LONDON, March 12th.

Manchester City 1, Cardiff 0
Burnley 3, Swindon 1
In the semi-finals, Manchester City will meet Newcastle at Birmingham, and Burnley will meet Aston Villa at Sheffield.

The draw for the semi-finals of the Scottish Cup Competition is as follows:—
Aberdeen v. Hibernians or Partick
Dundee v. Falkirk or Airdrieonians
at Celtic Park, Glasgow. The matches are to be played on March 22nd.

ENGLISH AND SCOTTISH LEAGUES.

In the English League, Chelsea and West Bromwich played a goalless draw, Aston Villa beat the Arsenal by one goal to nil, and Bolton defeated Liverpool by four to one.

In the Scottish League, Hamilton defeated Aberdeen three-nil, and Falkirk defeated Third Lanark by four goals to one.

DEMPSEY TIRED OF LOAFING?

CHICAGO, March 12th.

Jack Dempsey announces that he will meet Luis Firpo, the Argentine boxer, in a return match on September 1st.

GREEK GOVERNMENT SUGGESTS
HOSTILE PROPAGANDA.

ATHENS, March 12th.

Following the explosion of a bomb at the entrance to the British Legation early this morning, without any casualties, five dynamite cartridges were found outside the Rumanian Legation, but there had evidently been no time to fire them.

The Rumanian Government believes the bomb was thrown in order to discredit it.

LATER.

M. Papanastasiou, the Greek Premier, who has just completed his Cabinet, hurried to the British Legation and expressed regret for the bomb outrage, which only damaged the marble steps and the door. A number of workmen have been arrested in connection with the affair.

LORDS APPROVE BETTING TAX.

LONDON, March 12th.

The House of Lords has passed a resolution by 57 to 15 that taxation on betting is desirable and practicable. Lord Arwell on behalf of the Government opposed the motion.

MAJOR ASTOR "COMES BACK."

LONDON, March 12th.

Major Astor has been returned unopposed for Dover.

It will be remembered that Major Astor had recently to vacate his seat on a technical point, as he had voted in a division before taking the oath.

FRENCH PARLIAMENTARY SPLIT.

PARIS, March 11th.

The Left parties have decided, if the Government should prorogue the Chamber, instead of having a general election that all the Left senators and deputies shall resign en bloc and submit their case to the country.

VATICAN RUMOUR DENIED.

ROME, March 12th.

The report of an agreement between the Pope and the Italian Government is denied in authoritative quarters, though it is pointed out that the relations between the Church and the State are most harmonious.

DAIL AND ITS ARMY.

LONDON, March 12th.

In the Dail, Mr. Cosgrave intimated that the executive were appointing a Cabinet committee to enquire into the administration of the army.

At the annual meeting in London on January 3rd of the Incorporated Association of Headmasters a resolution was passed expressing dismay at the diminishing respect paid to the sanctity of industrial, political, and international agreements.

LATEST CABLES.
[REUTERS AMERICAN SERVICE.]CARGO STEAMER
ABANDONED.

TEN MEN SAVED; REMAINDER MISSING.

NEW YORK, March 12th.

Lloyd's Agents reports that the American steamer *Sanitago* bound from Cuba to New York with a cargo of sugar has been abandoned sixty miles south of Lake Hatteras. One lifeboat, containing ten men, was picked up by a Norwegian steamer. There is no trace, so far, of the remainder of the *Sanitago's* crew.

DUTCH-AMERICAN ARBITRATION TREATY.

THE HAGUE, March 12th.

The Second Chamber has approved of the Treaty concluded at Washington on February 13th, prolonging the Arbitration Treaty of 1909 between the Netherlands and the United States.

HUSSEIN SAYS "YES"

JERUSALEM, March 12th.

King Hussein has accepted the Caliphate from a Palestine delegation.

EARLIER CABLES.

ROYAL MAIL LINER SEIZED.
ALLEGED BREACH OF U.S. "DRY" REGULATIONS.

NEW YORK, March 12th.

Government agents have seized the Royal Mail steamer *Orduna* on a charge of violation of the customs prohibition and narcotic laws. Eight persons have been arrested, including the chief steward. The *Orduna* is connected with the seizure of ten thousand dollars worth of whisky and morphine, alleged to have been landed by members of the crew of the ship.

The *Orduna* has been placed in custody of the Treasury depot guards, but is unloading her cargo uninterruptedly. It is stated that forfeiture proceedings are to be brought immediately.

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LATER.

Three million dollars will be probably demanded for bail in the case of the *Orduna*. The eight persons arrested have been allowed bail of ten thousand dollars each.

AMERICAN LOAN TO FRANCE
MEASURES FOR BETTER FINANCIAL SITUATION.

NEW YORK, March 12th.

American bankers, headed by Morgan's, have established a credit of a hundred million dollars in favour of the Banque de France.

The French loan is fully secured by gold in the vaults of the Banque de France, which is acting for the French Government. It will be used to stabilize French exchange and is understood the duration of the loan will be one year. The statement does not mention the exact amount of the loan or the rate of interest, but quotes the governor of the Banque as pledging that complete measures will be taken for a better financial situation.

HONDURAS WITHOUT A HEAD.

WASHINGTON, March 12th.

The death of President Gutierrez was announced yesterday, and the consequent increased activities of revolutionary factions left Honduras for the time being without a Government. Diplomatic representatives succeeded in arranging a seventy-one hour armistice.

U.S. JOINT FREIGHTS DOWN.

WASHINGTON, March 12th.

The Inter-State Commerce Commission announces that under the new regulations a lower joint freight rate will be authorized on American railroads from May 20th on commodities being transported by American ships, except grain.

SENATE AND REVENUE.

WASHINGTON, March 12th.

The Senate has ordered an enquiry by a select committee into the administration of the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

SAME ARMY: LESS COST.

U.S. ARMY BILL.

WASHINGTON, March 12th.

The U.S. Army Appropriation Bill contemplates an expenditure of 18,224,000 dollars less than last year. It recommends the maintenance of the regular army at its present strength.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

PIRACY REGULATIONS.

SHANGHAI NEWSPAPER COMMENT ON GUILDS' CORRESPONDENCE.

SHANGHAI, March 13th.

The *Shanghai Mercury*, commenting editorially on the correspondence between the Coast Officers' Guild and Marine Engineers' Guild and the Hongkong Government, says it cannot be disputed that the guilds are as anxious as anyone that proper regulations should be framed with a view to tackling successfully the pirates, and it seems that they are qualified to frame the necessary regulations, or at least to suggest what these should embody.

The Government, therefore, will do well to give every consideration to what the Guilds contend and suggest, as the Guilds appear to be animated in the interests of all concerned, and certainly they have every right to expect that they will be fully considered in this matter.

SHANGHAI EXPLOSION EXPLAINED.
FINDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE OF ENQUIRY.

SHANGHAI, March 13th.

The report of the representatives of Messrs. Parsons, regarding the turbine explosion on November last, says that the evidence suggests that the accident was caused by the breaking of the turbine shaft. All the rest of the damage was also due to this. When the shaft parts were re-joined an irregular longitudinal fracture was disclosed, indicating that the fault had developed during forging. The nature of the fracture suggests that the final breaking of the shaft was instantaneous and that no warning was afforded to those responsible for the running.

It will be recalled that the turbine which exploded was a new one of 20,000 kilowatts, which was being put up at the riverside electric power station. The disaster resulted in the death of three Europeans and four Chinese. Among the former was Mr. C. W. Donaldson, who had come from England as the representative of Parsons' Turbines to erect the new plant.

SHANGHAI LABOUR UNIONS.

SHANGHAI, March 13th.

A group of Shanghai Labour Unions have sent a communication to the British and Russian Governments, explaining various grievances and asking for support in connection with the Labour movement in China.

RUSSIA AND CHINA.

AGREEMENT REGARDING CHINESE EASTERN RAILWAYS.

PEKING, March 13th.

It is understood that the Cabinet this morning accepted the amended articles regarding the Chinese Eastern Railway and the withdrawal of Russian troops from Mongolia. As a consequence, no further obstacle remains in the way of recognition of the Soviet Government.

The Premier and Foreign Minister in a report made this morning anticipated that President Tao Kun's approval would be forthcoming to-day or tomorrow and that the agreement will be signed by Sunday.

BRITISH BORNEO OIL CO.'S SHARE ISSUE.

LONDON, March 12th.

Seventy thousand unissued British-Borneo Petroleum Syndicate's 10/- shares are being offered to shareholders at 15/- with the object of extending operations.

SINGAPORE OIL SYNDICATE SUB-LEASE.

LONDON, March 12th.

The Rumania Syndicate intends to grant the Singapore Oil Syndicate a sub-lease of Kias Peninsula and Mangalam Island, against a cash payment and royalty.

SINGAPORE BASE SCHEME.

GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCEMENT ON MARCH 13th.

LONDON, March 12th.

The *Morning Post* asserts that a Government announcement as regards Singapore will be made on March 16th, the date fixed for the naval estimates debate. Sir Edward Crowe has been appointed director of the Foreign Division of the Department of Overseas Trade for the present year.

NINE-POWER TREATY.

POWERS TO DEAL WITH LINK QUESTION.

H.M. GOVERNMENT "FULLY ALIVE."

LONDON, March 12th.

In the House of Commons, at question time, Mr. Hannon suggested that in the interests of British exporters, the British Legation at Peking should be instructed to co-operate with the other Legations to secure ratification of Article Eight of the McKinley Treaty.

Mr. Pansony replied that if Mr. Hannon referred to the fact of this article, providing for the abolition of link, not having been carried out by the Chinese authorities, he could assure him that His Majesty's Government were fully alive to the importance of the matter. They were at present consulting His Majesty's Minister at Peking with regard to the best means of dealing with the question at a special conference to be held in pursuance of the Nine-Power customs treaty, but it must be realised that great difficulties existed owing to the present disorganised conditions in China and the Central Government's lack of control over many of the provincial authorities.

[BY COURTESY OF THE "DAILY BULLETIN."]

TRADE MARK LAW.

BRITISH MERCHANTS' LETTER TO "THE TIMES."

SHANGHAI, March 11th.

The letter in the *Times* mentioned by Reuter's Agency to-day is signed by the Asiatic Petroleum Company, Messrs. Arnold & Co., Burkill & Co., British-American Company, Bradley & Co., Calder, Marshall & Co., Joseph Crossfield & Co., Dodwell & Co., Gossage & Co., Herbert & Co., Jardine, Matheson & Co., William Little & Co., Lever Bros. (China), Ltd., Mackenzie & Co., Maitland & Co., Holyoak, Munro & Co., Price & Co., Probst, Hambury & Co., and Scott, Harding & Co.

The letter says that foreign property in China is menaced by the promulgation of the Chinese Trade Mark Law, which, if recognised by the Powers without substantial modifications, in addition to imperilling trade marks will weaken the whole basis on which foreigners live and trade in China. In the McKinley Treaty China undertook to protect British trade marks and to establish an office for their registration under the control of the Maritime Customs, which is officered by British and other foreigners. The proposed law, which placed trade marks under undiluted Chinese control, lacks many essential safeguards provided for trade mark owners in Europe and America.

The *Times* has repeatedly testified to the chaotic conditions in China at present, the powerlessness of the Central Government, the domination of the provinces by military adventurers, the existence of large armies and marauding troops, the way in which the authorities flagrantly violate the law, and the subordination of judicial to military authority. Yet in these chaotic circumstances it is proposed to strip foreign property worth many millions of pounds of those safeguards which have hitherto protected it.

The Treaty of Tientsin stipulates that all questions regarding the rights of property and persons arising between British subjects shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the British authorities. Under the protection of this and other agreements designed to ensure for British subjects the enjoyment of fair treatment and the right to strip foreign property worth many millions of pounds of those safeguards which have hitherto protected it.

It does this in the following way: It establishes a registration bureau offered entirely by Chinese, from whom appeal in case of dispute lies towards Chinese bureaucrats inexperienced in the Chinese trade mark or any other branch of law. There is no appeal to a court of justice, such as the British and American law provides. On the contrary, the law specifically precludes reconsideration of any decision given on appeal by Chinese officials. Thus a dispute between two British subjects or between a British subject and another foreigner, or between a foreigner and a Chinese regarding the registrable character of a trade mark, depends will be settled by Chinese tribunals alone. This is an obvious contravention of the Tientsin Treaty and other territorial rights agreed to elsewhere, for all other cases of dispute between foreigners are tried in foreign courts, while in disputes between foreigners and Chinese the former have the right to be represented by Consuls or heard before the Assessors of their own nationality.

Yet while the proposed law marks no reference to the procedure to be adopted when foreigners are the plaintiffs in civil actions against Chinese for an infringement, thus ignoring the Consul's right to be represented by a Consul or heard before an Assessor, it leaves in doubt whether this right will remain in effect in criminal actions. In these circumstances, and in view of the deliberate manner in which the treaty obligations of all sorts are being ignored, we desire to appeal to Chambers of Commerce and other public bodies to use their utmost influence to prevent the law being recognised in its present form, and to support us in asking for effective foreign co-operation in the administration of the registration bureau and effective foreign representation in all the tribunals and courts which may be called upon to give any decision affecting foreign interests in connection with foreign trade marks.

We warn all concerned that if the law is recognised in its present form foreign trade marks will become a prey to Chinese officialdom, while the safeguards which hitherto have protected foreign property and rights in China will be dangerously undermined.

(Continued at foot of next column.)

LAST NIGHT ORCHESTRAL CONCERT.

THE SURREY BAND AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

Last night's orchestral concert, held at the Theatre Royal under the patronage of H.E. the Governor and Lady Stubbs was an unqualified success, the full band of the East Surrey Regiment, the main contributors to the very interesting programme, acquitting itself admirably.

Such musical treats are only too rare in Hongkong and one can only express the hope that last night's concert will be the forerunner of others of a similar nature. The organisers—Mr. Gerken and Mr. F. W. Bradshaw (Bandmaster of the East Surrey Regiment)—are deserving of the best thanks of the Colony's music lovers.

The audience, mainly confined to the dress circle, where every available seat was booked, was very appreciative and the Band had to oblige with several encores. H.E. the Governor and H.E. the General Officer Commanding the Troops in China as well as many well known local residents were amongst those present.

The band selections, all admirably chosen, and varying from heavy impressive pieces to light, dainty and delicious fancies were played with great skill, reflecting great credit on the bandmen and their conductor. Perhaps the most delightful was a number of excerpts from the Cantata, "Samson and Delilah," the cornet solos by Lance-Corporal Kidd being very sweet and the trombones very expressive.

In addition to the band, Professor Gonzalez, accompanied by Mrs. Suter, contributed to the programme with violin solos and solos on a piano fiddle. In his first number on the violin the Professor's rendition of Introduction and Rondo, Capriccio (C. Saint Saens) was all that could be desired. Mr. E. G. d'Aguiro, the popular local tenor singer, also contributed two items to the programme and in both he received deserving encores.

THE EMPIRE'S THIRD CITY.

Sydney, New South Wales, now estimates its population at about 600,000 and with that figure becomes the fifth city in the Empire. Only London, with 4,000,000 in the country and with over 7,000,000 within the police area, Calcutta with 1,300,000, Bombay with 1,200,000, and Glasgow with 1,000,000 give a bigger count of heads.

Calcutta and Bombay are coloured cities, and so Sydney is now the third white city in Greater Britain, just behind Birmingham, with its 800,000 people. Four comes Liverpool or Melbourne, each with about 600,000. So counting out the Indian cities, Australia, though she has fewer than 6,000,000 inhabitants all told, gives us two of our first half-dozen cities.

It is rather surprising, says a writer in a London paper, we had looked for our own great towns to be beaten in time by the towns in other parts of the Empire, but, again ruling out India, we had probably expected the first 1,000,000 city of the Dominions to arise in Canada, part of the Continent of Big Things.

It seemed quite possible that Montreal and Toronto and Winnipeg would catch the infection of rapid growth from the towns of the United States. And, true, Montreal (600,000) and Toronto (600,000) are big cities, but they are not growing at an exceptional rate. There are no signs that Winnipeg will grow as Chicago did. The cities of the Dominion that will reach the million mark first are Sydney and Melbourne, two of the farthest from Great Britain.

The great populations that Sydney and Melbourne declare are not perhaps quite so urban as they look. The figures are qualified with "including suburbs," and the term "suburbs" is fairly liberally interpreted.

But, then, what we call London, the largest city in the world, with 7,000,000 people, is five or six times the area of the County of London, and so it hardly does to belittle the figures of the Australian cities.

Yet why do Sydney and Melbourne grow so rapidly? Australia has great spaces waiting to be filled, and yet something like half her population is metropolitan. That is, concentrated within the areas of the State capitals, on the coast fringe. One would almost say that these towns, at the gates to the continent, capture all the immigrants.

SHANGHAI HARBOUR.

HARBOUR BOARD SUGGESTED.

SHANGHAI, March 11th.

Mr. F. J. Blom, addressing the Engineering Society of China yesterday, declared that the Shanghai harbour equipment for handling cargo is insufficient for the present and the future. He advocated the formation of a Shanghai Harbour Board in order to safeguard local interests.

Mr. Blom said that the underdevelopment of the wharves for ocean-going steamers had caused congestion which was detrimental to the interests of navigation and trade generally. Before entering into costly schemes for harbour extensions at present, the harbour should be developed and organised, and measures should be taken to compel the riparian owners to develop their property. Shipping agents should be induced to establish modern-equipped wharves capable of efficiently handling ships' cargo. A municipal harbour should be constructed to run on a commercial basis in order to take care of lighters.

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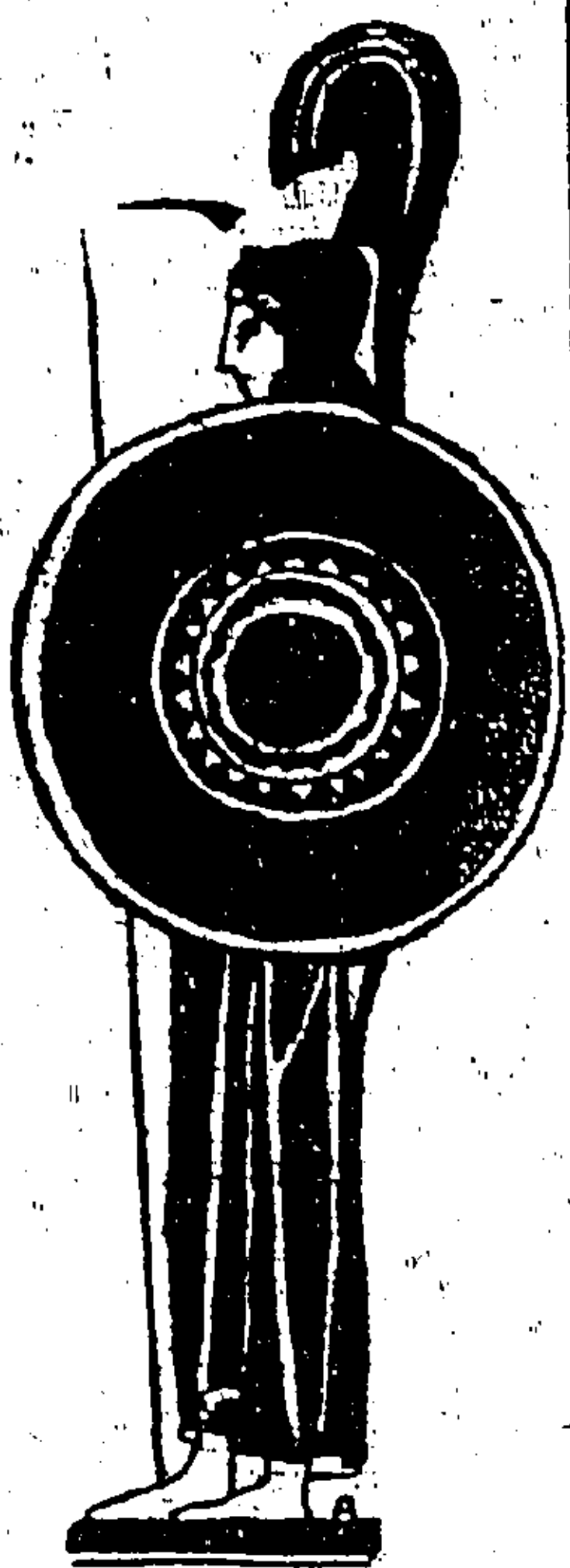
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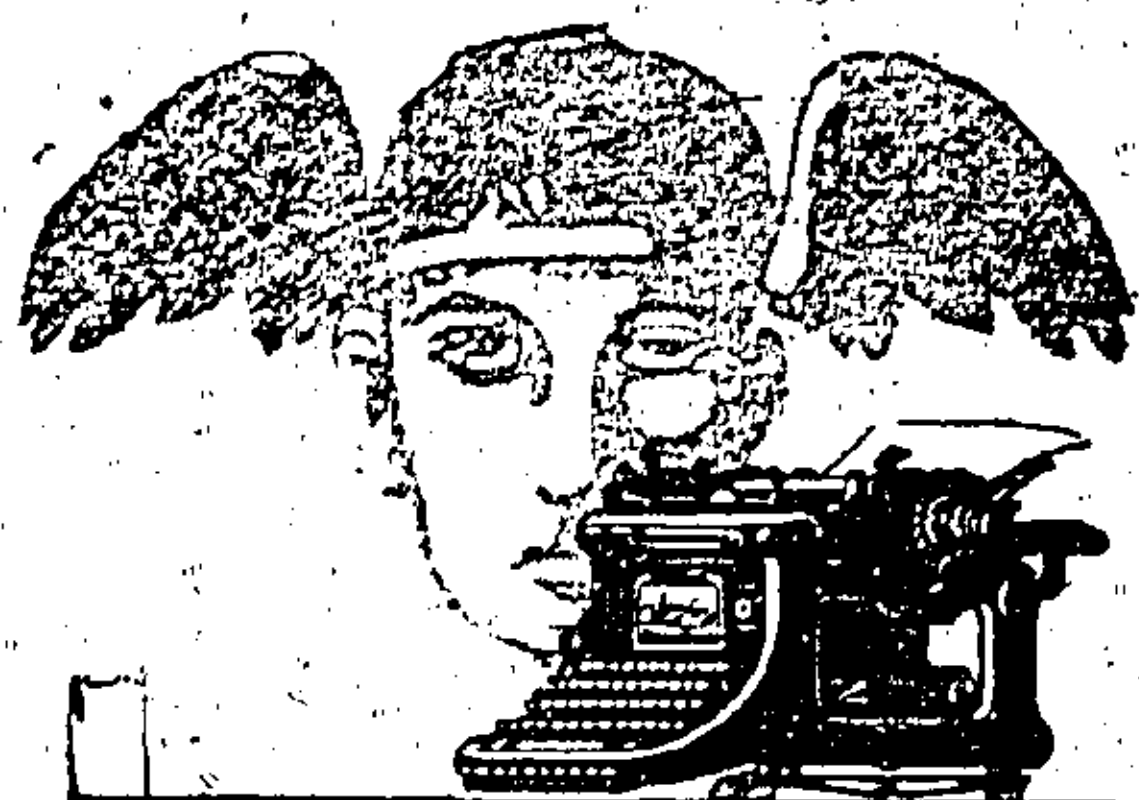
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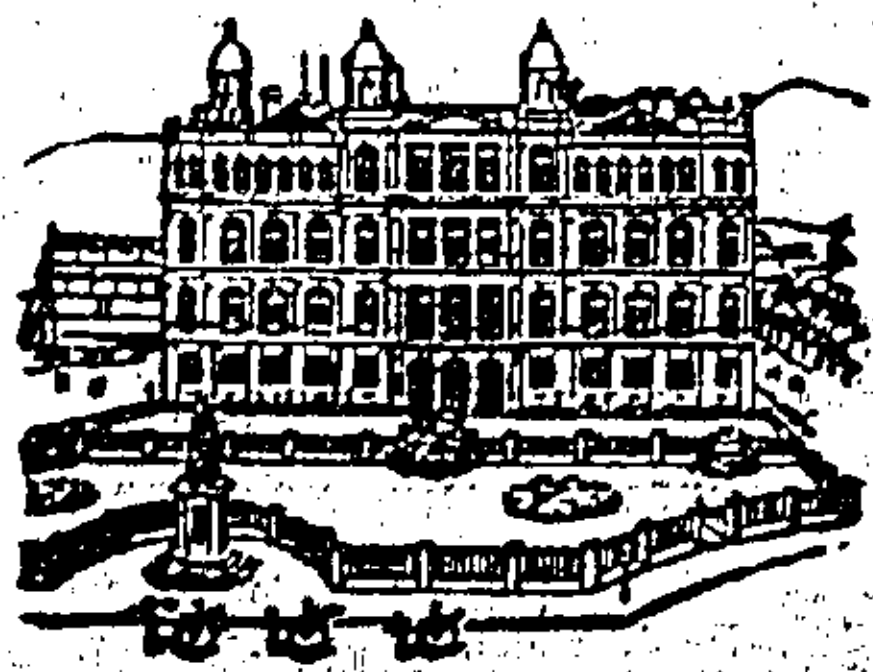
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SMALLER FAMILIES.

LORD DAWSON ON BIRTH CONTROL.

For the first time the rather unusual subject of birth control was debated before a conspicuously crowded house at Cambridge Union. The motion before the undergraduates was: "In the opinion of this house the wider application of birth control would constitute a major remedy of the social evil of today." Lord Dawson of Penn and the Bishop of Exeter (Lord William Gascoigne Cecil) were the visiting speakers, respectively supporting and opposing the proposal.

Lord Dawson said he did not regard birth control as the whole of social reform, but simply an ingredient in it. "Because birth control happens to be more ripe amongst the better classes to-day," he continued, "that does not mean that it will not penetrate to all classes to-morrow. There is ample evidence that birth control is rapidly spreading among the more educated artisans. Birth control does not imply unproductive marriages, but regulation of the size of families and their distribution. The latter consideration is of great importance in its bearing on the whole being of married people. Women who have children at suitable intervals preserve better health than those who will not or cannot, but birth should be a matter of choice and not chance." Birth control was widely practised to-day, and was accepted amongst their better citizens, so people must not talk too glibly of birth control as degrading or damaging to those who used it. "Is it not better to limit population by limiting birth than weeding it out by death," asked Lord Dawson. He admitted that selfish people with unworthy ambition or people so short-sighted as not to want children might use birth control for unworthy purposes. But the abuse of a thing was never an argument against its proper use.

CHURCH SERVICE AND MARRIAGE.

In its relation to early marriages, Lord Dawson declared that there existed a strong argument for birth control. An impulse as strong as that of sex, unless there was a natural outlet, would like a river overflow its banks and track out a course for itself less desirable and less beneficial to the community. How could straightforward and conscientious young married people face marriage in these days of economic pressure without any security that they could control the output of their family? That birth control was contrary to nature was the last ditch of argument. The whole of civilization demanded the chaining of nature and its reduction to man's purposes. The steam engine was once denounced as irreligious and immoral. If it was right to control child birth, why was it not right to control conception. If birth control was harmful to health there should be some indication of it. Yet there never was a time when our younger women presented a finer spectacle of upstanding figure and health than to-day. "If you take away the physical aspect of human love you have left only a vapid sentimentality, a flabby product without energy and force," declared Lord Dawson. "As long as we inhabit this world it is folly to pretend that the physical can be overridden by the spiritual. The marriage service half apologises for the physical side of marriages. It gives it a negative blessing by saying it is a remedy against sin. Marriage is much more than that. It gives the opportunity for a physical realisation of love, and any straightforward service would say so. It is half apologises such as these which undermine the influence of the Church to-day, because the rising generation wants facts and truth and the facing of realities."

The Bishop of Exeter reminded the House that the problem was 100 years old. We were in a similar condition after the Napoleonic wars when there was a philosopher, Malthus, whose teaching, was accepted by France and refused by England. In the towns of France one could to-day see the result of Malthusian teaching, and in the ordinary French novel one could read a description of the society that they had produced. The French had not accepted the *via media* of the family coming at all. The family did not exist at all. "And what is France to-day?" asked the bishop. "She has to go to Italy for her workmen, she cannot gather her vintages without the Spaniards, and she requires men of colour to fight her battles if she is to be saved from the Germans. The intellect of France is growing less and less. Perhaps that is what accounts for the action of the French in the Ruhr." (Laughter.) "To remove the social evils of to-day the country wanted a larger and harder-working intellectual class. No country could succeed if it grew its population from a less intellectual and less efficient stock. The real cause of so much unemployment was not that there were too many people in the world, but that there were not enough men of the kind needed to keep those people in work. So far from diminishing unemployment by diminishing population they would probably increase it, because they would diminish the amount of intellectual labourers, who were produced much more rarely than manual labourers."

The result of the division was: For the motion, 479; against, 238.

SAYINGS OF A WEEK.

I am against this absurd cant of fair play.—*Rev. Prebendary Gough.*

Nineteen-twenty-four is not the last year in God's programme of creation.—*Mr. Ramsay MacDonald.*

Religion is making great advances in spite of the churches being half empty.—*Mr. W. H. Southern.*

It is safe to say that most heroes cause some secret disappointment to their worshippers.—*Professor Gilbert Murray.*

There is a Gresham's Law in Talk as well as in money; the tendency of the false is to drive out the true.—*Dr. L. P. Jacks.*

Perhaps there is nothing in the whole world which so announces itself as the celebration of a German.—*Mr. Philip Guedalla.*

We have Shakespeare's authority for the calculation that an honest man is one in ten thousand, and the current reference, books affirm that the House of Commons has only 615 members.—*Mr. A. Wyatt Talbot.*

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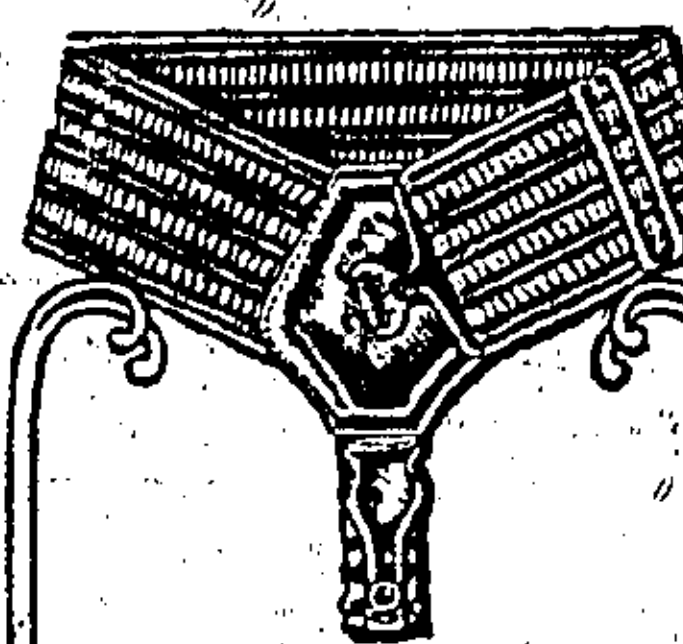
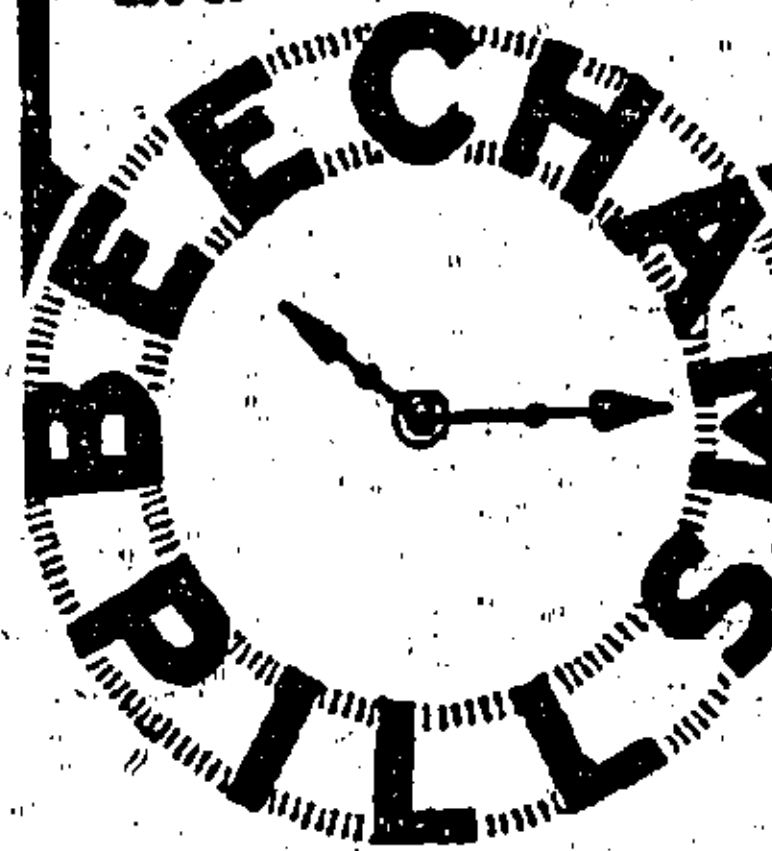
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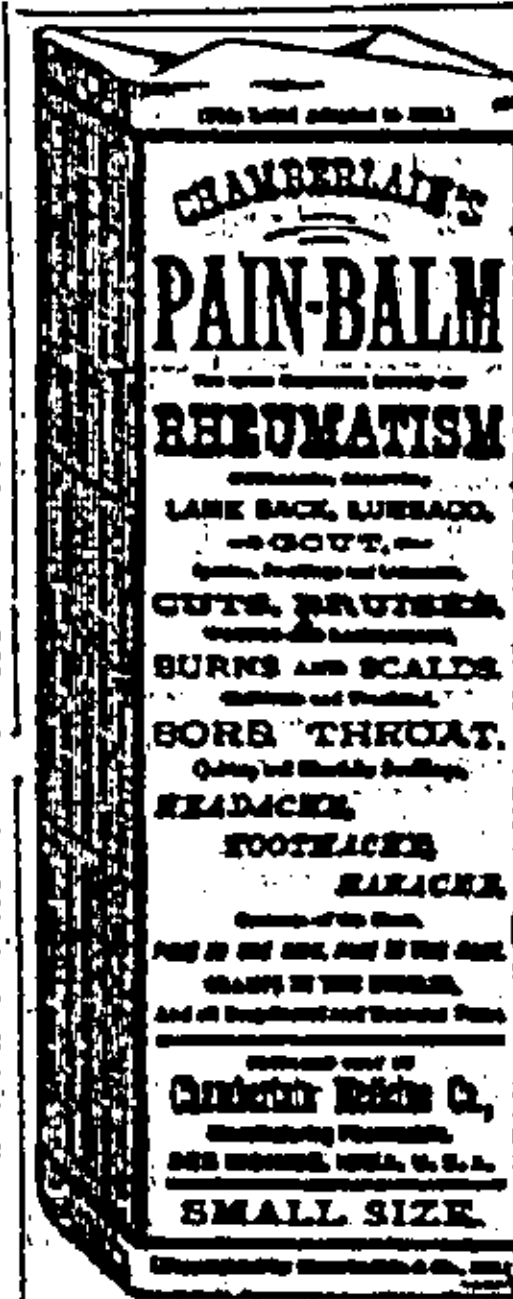
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Cherbon, Japanese str., 2,491 tons, Capt. C. Hidaki, from Karatsu, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 128, N.Y.K.

Deftar, Norwegian str., 1,102 tons, Capt. N. Hjorth, from Bangkok, with a general cargo and rice, lying at buoy C40—Thorson & Co.

E. Sang, British str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. C33.

Koncho, British str., 1,295 tons, Capt. T. Beer, from Saigon, with rice, lying at buoy No. C16—B. & S.

Gefta, Italian str., 2,684 tons, Capt. K. Bassanich, from Trieste and Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf—Dodwell & Co.

Haitan, British str., 1,182 tons, Capt. J. Anderson, from Saigon, with rice, lying at buoy No. C38—Man Wing S.S. & Co.

Hsin Wah, Chinese str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. C18.

Luon, British str., 1,336 tons, Capt. C. Henry Walker, from Singapore and Haiphong, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B90—B. & S.

Ummant, Norwegian str., 1,377 tons, Capt. O. Hansen, from Saigon, with rice, lying at Stenocutt—K. Larsen & Co.

Siro, British str., 3,333 tons, Capt. T. P. G. Tom, from Hongkong via Singapore, with rice, lying at Kowloon wharf—Mackinnon Mackenzie & Co.

Tromethan, Chinese str., 1,022 tons, Capt. A. Cornelissen, from Saigon, with rice, lying at buoy No. C29.

Tjharoen, Dutch str., 3,666 tons, Capt. J. R. Buys, from Muke, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A10—J.C.J.L.

Tajima Maru, Japanese str., from Canton, lying at Stenocutt.

West Linn, American str., 3,751 tons, Capt. T. T. Hanna, from Seattle, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf—Oriental Line.

Yokohama Maru, Japanese str., 5,003 tons, Capt. C. Shirai, from Australia via Manila, the latter port, she left on March 10th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf—N.Y.K.

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Chak Sang, British str., 1,470 tons, Capt. C. D. Nicol, from Bangkok, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C37—J. M. & Co.

Fu Lung, Chinese str., 1,172 tons, Capt. S. Frandson, from Saigon, with rice, lying at Stenocutt—Man Cheong Yuen.

Hanoi, French str., 735 F. L. Morvan, from Haiphong, with a general cargo, at Stenocutt—M. M.

Heng An, Chinese str., 1,050 tons, Capt. O. Shwick, from Saigon, with rice, lying at Stenocutt—Yuen Mow & Co.

Kiuro, British str., 3,241 tons, Capt. T. Robinson, from Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at Holt's wharf—The Bank Line.

Kayna, British str., 1,751 tons, Capt. R. F. Mitchell, from Bangkok, and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B11—B. & S.

Kojan Maru, Japanese str., 1,306 tons, Capt. N. Ishiguro, from Keelung, with coal, lying at buoy No. C48—M.B.K.

Le Sang, British str., 977 tons, Capt. T. Croft, from Haiphong and Haibow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C49—J. M. & Co.

Shaner, British str., 1,228 tons, Capt. J. Mathias, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Stenocutt—B. & S.

Suiyang, British str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. B3.

Tajima Maru, Japanese str., 4,273 tons, Capt. T. Sawayama, from Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf—N.Y.K.

CLEARANCES.

March 12th.

Chengta, for Swatow.

E. Sang, for Swatow.

Haiphong, for Saigon.

Hydrangea, for Canton.

Kangchun, for Swatow.

Kola Maru, for Swatow.

Pookee, for Kwang Chow Wan.

Sun Yang, for Shanghai.

Sunghing, for Canton.

Uwajima Maru, for Canton.

Van Chon, for Singapore.

West Linn, for Singapore.

Yokohama Maru, for Singapore.

Yoshima Maru, for Nagasaki.

Yuet Wah, for Taurine.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Achilles (Blue Funnel), due March 14th.

Angkor (M.M.), due March 24th.

Atsuta Maru (N.Y.K.), due April 8th.

Benedict (Ben Line), due March 18th.

Capitaine Fauré (M.M.), due end March.

Chambord (M.M.), due April 7th.

Chik (M.M.), due March 29th.

Empress of Russia, due March 24th.

Haitan Maru (N.Y.K.), due March 18th.

Helmut (Blue Funnel Line), due April 7th.

Kilderspore (P. & O.), due to-morrow, 6 a.m.

Lyons Maru (N.Y.K.), due March 16th.

Macdon (Blue Funnel), due to-day.

Matsumoto Maru (N.Y.K.), due March 16th.

Nelus (Blue Funnel), due March 22nd.

Peking Maru (N.Y.K.), due to-day.

President Adams (Dollar), due March 21st.

President Madison, due March 15th.

President McKinley, due March 18th.

Rheus (Blue Funnel Line), due March 31st.

Shunko Maru (O.S.K.), due March 24th.

Sarpedon (Blue Funnel), due March 18th.

Symetra Maru, due March 18th.

Tajima Maru (N.Y.K.), due to-day.

Warina (B.I. & A.), due March 15th.

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The s.s. *Teireins* (Blue Funnel Line), for London, Rotterdam and Antwerp, left Shanghai on the 12th inst. for this port, and is due here on the 15th inst. at daybreak. She will be despatched at 4 p.m. on the 17th inst.

The s.s. *Qanta* (Blue Funnel Line), left Liverpool on the 8th inst. for Hongkong, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama, and is due here on or about April 10th.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1924. [500]

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 26th instant, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on Saturday, the 16th instant, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

B. BODENFUSER,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1924. [493]

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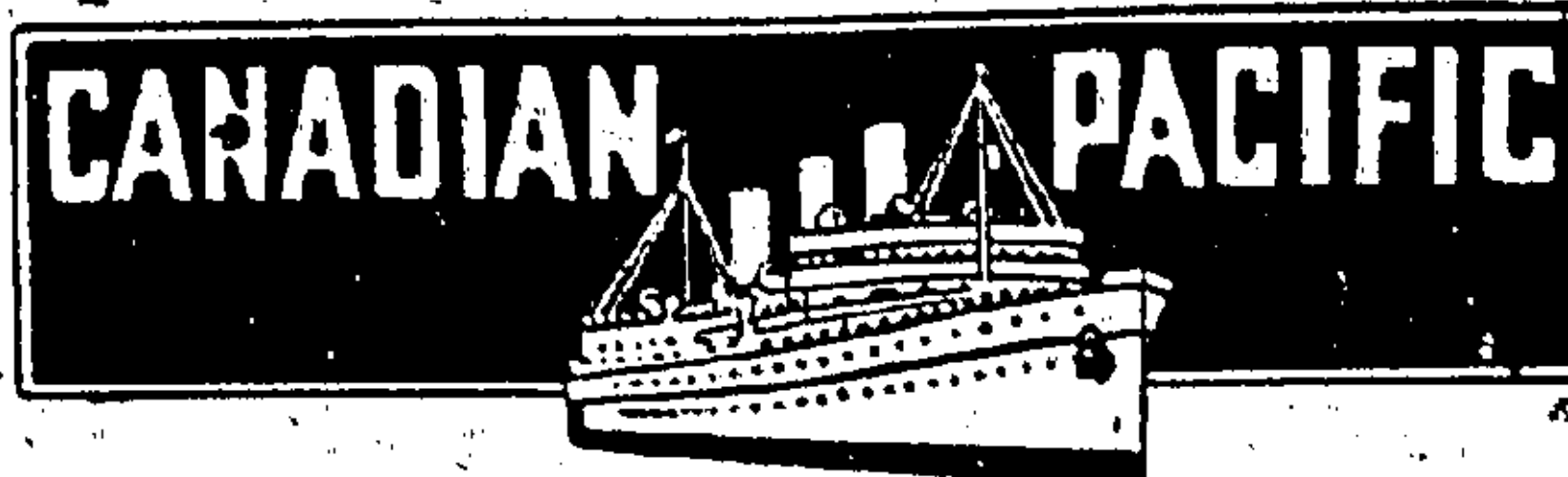
No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 18th March will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 1st April, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1924. [101]



HOME VIA CANADA

Hongkong to England

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Empress Russia	Apr. 8	Apr. 21	Montroyal	May 2
Empress Australia	Apr. 18	May 7	Montroyal	May 14
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HIBERIA MARU 20,000 tons, May 6th, 1924.

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WEATHER REPORT.

March 13th at 17.05—Pressure has increased slightly at the majority of reporting stations.

The anticyclone has strengthened slightly. Strong monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and fresh monsoon over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, 13th March, 0.62 inch. Total since January 1st, 5.63 inches, against an average of 4.13 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, Mar., 14th is as follows—

DRIZZLE FORECAST

Formosa Channel N.E. winds, strong.

Hongkong to Gap Rock N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy, some drizzle or mist.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocka do.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan do.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer	29.98	29.07	30.00
Temperature	68	58	60
Humidity	78	83	76
Wind Direction	2	NE	NE
Force	3	1	2
Weather	0	0	0
Rain	0.02	0.00	0.02

Highest open-air Temperature on 13th 67
Lowest open-air Temperature on 13th 53

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HOKUSAN MARU Wednesday, 10th Mar., at 11 a.m.
RITANO MARU Wednesday, 26th Mar.
HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.
MATSUYE MARU End of March.
LIVERPOOL via MABELLIE & VALENCIA.
DELAGOA MARU Saturday, 15th March.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, &c.
TANGO MARU Wednesday, 19th Mar., at 11 a.m.
YOSHINO MARU Wednesday, 16th April.
NEW YORK & BOSTON via PANAMA.
LISON MARU Saturday, 22nd Mar.
BURNOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.
KANAGAWA MARU Tuesday, 8th May
BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo.
PENANG MARU Saturday, 15th Mar.
TAMBA MARU Saturday, 22nd Mar.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
YOKUSHIMA MARU Sunday, 23rd Mar.
AWA MARU Monday, 31st Mar.
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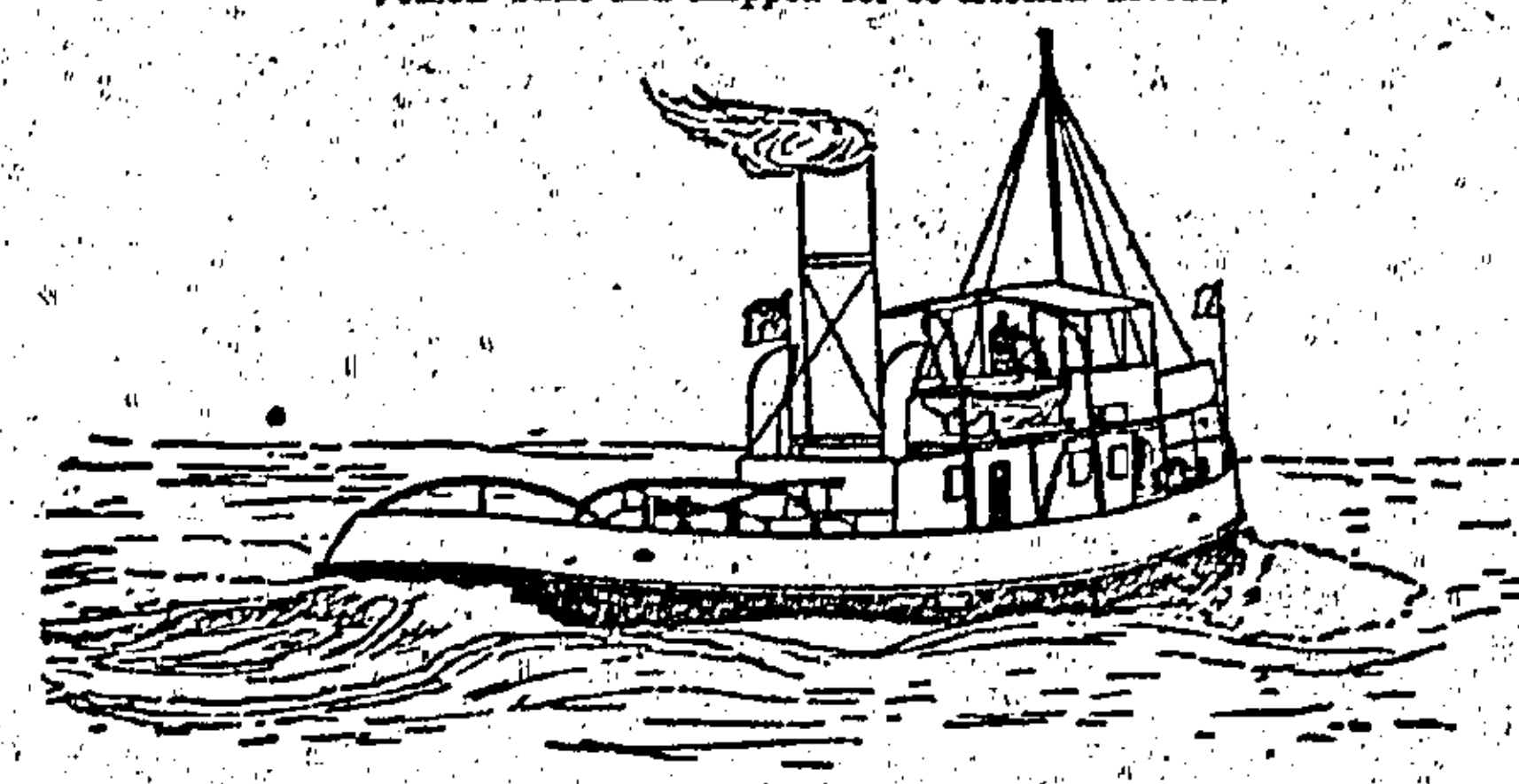
TAJIMA MARU 8. Sunday, 15th Mar.
MATSUMOTO MARU Monday, 17th Mar.
KATOH MARU Sunday, 23rd Mar.

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FROM	PER	DATE
SHANGHAI	Singapore	14th Mar.
EUROPE via Nipponkai (Letters only, London, 14th Feb.)	Glenfalloch	14th Mar.
SHANGHAI	London	14th Mar.
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SHANGHAI	London	14th Mar.
U.S.A. JAPAN AND SHANGHAI	London	14th Mar.
EUROPE via Nipponkai (Letters only, London, 14th Feb.)	London	14th Mar.
AUSTRALIA & MANILA	London	14th Mar.
U.S.A. CANADA, JAPAN AND SHANGHAI	London	14th Mar.
U.S.A. JAPAN & SHANGHAI	London	14th Mar.

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR	PER	DATE
Hilo	West Lion	Friday, 14th.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hongkong	14th Mar.
Java via Batavia	London	14th Mar.
Saigon	London	14th Mar.
Saigon, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 25th Mar.	London	14th Mar.
Shanghai	London	14th Mar.
Amoy and Manila	London	14th Mar.
Japan	London	14th Mar.
Straits and Ceylon	London	14th Mar.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	London	14th Mar.
Fort Bayard, Hilo, Pakebo & Hilo, Pakebo, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	London	14th Mar.
Japan, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	London	14th Mar.
South America & EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C. 4th Apr.	London	14th Mar.
Ship sails at 4 p.m. on 16th inst.	London	14th Mar.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America, and EUROPE via VICTORIA, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C. 5th Apr.	London	14th Mar.
Hilo and Hilo, Pakebo	London	14th Mar.
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Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	London	14th Mar.
Straits, Suez and London—due London, 21st April.	London	14th Mar.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	London	14th Mar.
Philippines, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 30th March.	London	14th Mar.

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13th March, 1934.	
ON LONDON—	
Telegraphic Transfer	1/4
Bank Bill, on demand	3/4 3/16
Bank Bill, at 30 days' sight	3/4
Bank Bill, at 4 months' sight	3/4 1/2
Credits, at 4 months' sight	3/4 1/2
Documentary Bill, 4 months' sight	2/3 1/2
ON PARIS—	
Bank Bill, on demand	1/200
Credits, 4 months' sight	1/270
ON NEW YORK—	
Bank Bill, on demand	50 1/2
Credits, at 30 days' sight	51 1/2
ON BOMBAY—	
Telegraphic Transfer	169
Bank Bill, on demand	169
ON CALCUTTA—	
Telegraphic Transfer	169
Bank Bill, on demand	169
ON SHANGHAI—	
Bank Bill, at sight	100
Private, 30 days' sight	100 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA—On demand	117
ON MANILA—On demand	100 1/2
ON SINGAPORE—On demand	100 1/2
ON BATAVIA—On demand	135 1/2
ON HANKOW—On demand	100
ON SAIGON—On demand	78
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